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VAN PANHUYS and CRAVEN—January 27, 1925, at the Chapel Royal, Savoy, by the Rev. Hugh Chapman, the Jonkheer, Johan Æ. van Panhuys, of the Netherlands Legation, Paris, and Nienoort Castle, Holland, to Vera, only child of the late W. F. Craven and Mrs. Craven, Eastbourne.

DEATHS.

ANNOUNCEMENTS received late for insertion in this column will be found on Page 6.

ALGIE—January 23, 1925, at his residence, "Duart," Bideford, Devon, John P. Algie, D.S.P., Imperial Police, Burma (retired), only son of the late John and Mrs. Algie, of Bolton Hall, Rathfarnham. Deeply regretted. Burma papers please copy.

BARTON—January 29, 1925, at 27 Newbridge avenue, Sandymount, Sarah, beloved wife of Edward Barton. Funeral private.

BLAKE—January 28, 1925, at his residence, Rovagh, Salt Hill, Galway, James Waller Blake. R.I.P. Funeral this (Friday) morning, after 11 o'clock Mass, St. Joseph's Church, to New Cemetery.

BUCKERFIELD—January 28, 1925, at Mountjuliet, Helen, wife of Robert Buckerfield. Funeral leaving Mountjuliet at 1.30 for Thomastown to-morrow (Saturday).

BURNELL—January 28, 1925, at 13 Trafalgar terrace, Monkstown, Elizabeth C., wife of William Burnell. Funeral private. No flowers.

CAHILL—January 29, 1925, at Ballycondra, Ballyragget, County Kilkenny, Emily, widow of the late Colonel Nugent Cahill. R.I.P. Funeral private.

DONEGAN—January 29, 1925, after a long illness, Michael John Donegan, aged 50. Deeply regretted by sorrowing wife, family, and large circle of friends. Funeral leaves St. Teresa's, Clarendon street, for Kill-o'-the-Grange Cemetery at 10 o'clock to-morrow (Saturday) morning.

DUNGAN—At his residence, 109 S.C.R., Kilmainham, Andrew J. Dungan. R.I.P. Funeral to Glasnevin to-morrow (Saturday) morning, after 10 o'clock Mass at St. James's.

FRASER—January 29, 1925, at The Rest, Camden Row, Matilda, widow of the late Robert Fraser, aged 71 years, late 20 Lower Beechwood avenue. "Peace, perfect peace." Funeral from The Rest at 9.15 to-morrow (Saturday) morning.

HOPKING—January 27, 1925, Phyllis, second beloved daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Smith Hopking, late of "Ellesmere," Ailesbury Park, Dublin.

LONG—January 29, 1925, at 17 Brighton road, Dublin, Eliza Long (late of Limerick). Funeral private.

McCABE—January 28, 1925, at St. Vincent's Hospital, Helen May (nee Casey), wife of Charles H. McCabe, "Ra-ko," South Mount Vernon, Glasgow. R.I.P. Funeral from Donnybrook R.C. Church to-morrow (Saturday) morning, 31st, after 10 o'clock Mass.

MORAN—At his residence, Clonaslee, Leix, William Moran, in his 84th year. Deeply regretted. R.I.P. Office and High Mass this (Friday) morning at 11 o'clock. Funeral at 2 p.m. to Killoughy, Offaly.

MURPHY—January 29, 1925, at Rathclough, Danesfort, Kilkenny, Miss Anne Murphy. R.I.P. Funeral, after Office and High Mass at Danesfort, at 10.30 o'clock, to-morrow (Saturday) morning to Johnswell.

O'KEEFFE—January 28, 1925, at her residence, 104 Upper Rathmines, Mary (May), beloved wife of W. E. O'Keeffe, and eldest daughter of Mrs. Spadaccini, 39 Dartmouth square. Deeply regretted by her sorrowing husband, children, and relatives. R.I.P. Funeral private.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

John Lynn and family wish to return their sincere thanks to all kind friends who sent wreaths and letters of sympathy in their recent bereavement, and trust this will be accepted as their grateful acknowledgment.

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NOTICE.

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ADDRESSES
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Entitled
"PATHS OF PAIN" AND
"A DOCTOR'S DOINGS IN CHINA,"
Will be given, as mentioned below, by Dr. MABEL POULTER, OF FUHSING HOSPITAL, CHINA.
TO-DAY (THURSDAY), in the Men's Institute, Kingstown, at 8 p.m. Chairman—Rev. Chancellor Dowse, M.A.
FRIDAY, 30th, in the Molesworth Hall, Dublin, at 4 p.m. Chairman—Sir William Smyly, M.D. And in the Friends' Meeting House, Eustace street (kindly lent), at 8 p.m.
N.B.—Information has come to hand stating that Mr. T. Z. Koo, who was to have spoken at the Friday night's Meeting, has suddenly been called to the Opium Conference at Geneva.

Mr. T. Z. KOO,

Having been recalled to Geneva, CANNOT TAKE PART IN THE MEETING TO-NIGHT IN THE FRIENDS' MEETING-HOUSE, 6 EUSTACE STREET.

LEGAL NOTICES.

NOTICE OF CHARITABLE BEQUESTS.
In the Goods of
RIGHT HONORABLE WILLIAM DRENNAN ANDREWS, late of 51 Lower Leeson street, Dublin, a Retired Judge of the High Court of Justice in Ireland.
Notice is hereby given, pursuant to Statute 30 and 31 Victoria, Cap. 54, that the said Right Honorable William Drennan Andrews, by his Will, dated the 22nd April, 1908, made the following bequests:—To the Irish Distressed Ladies' Fund, 4 Kildare street, Dublin, £500. To the Royal Victoria Eye and Ear Hospital, Dublin, £500. To Sir Patrick Dun's Hospital, Dublin, £300. To the Rotunda Hospital, Dublin, £300. To the Royal Hospital for Incurables, Donnybrook, £300. To the National Children's Hospital, Harcourt street, Dublin, £300. To the Night Asylum for Houseless Poor, Bow street, Dublin, £300. To the Stewart Institution for Idiotic and Imbecile Children, Palmerstown, County Dublin, £300. To the Benevolent Society of the Bar of Ireland, £300. To the Solicitors' Benevolent Association, Dublin, £300. To the Charitable Infirmary, Jervis street, Dublin, £200. To the Drumcondra Medical and Surgical Hospital, Dublin, £200. To the Incorporated Association for the Relief of Distressed Protestants, Dublin, £200. To the Royal National Hospital for Consumption, Newcastle, County Wicklow, £200. To the Home for Aged Governesses and other Unmarried Ladies, Harcourt terrace, Dublin, £200. To the Convalescent Home, Stillorgan, County Dublin, £200. To the Association for Relief of Indigent Blind and Lending Library, 50 Lower Sackville street, Dublin, £100. To St. Patrick's Nurses' Home, Stephen's Green, Dublin, £100. To the Country Air Association for Ailing Members of the Dublin Protestant Poor, £100. To the Distressed Ladies' Home, 38 Mountjoy square, Dublin, £100. To his brother, Thomas Andrews, £200, to be applied by him, according to his sole discretion, at whatever times and in whatever manner he may consider proper, and without being liable to render any account thereof, in or towards the relief of poor persons in the Town or Parish of Comber, County Down.
By a Codicil, dated the 16th day of February, 1911, the Testator increased the bequest to the said Thomas Andrews, in trust for the relief of poor persons in the said Town or Parish of Comber, to £500, and also made the following bequest:—To the Treasurer for the time being of the Unitarian Congregation of Comber, aforesaid, of which the Rev. Thomas Dunkerley was then Minister, £200, upon trust, as therein.
By a further Codicil, dated the 19th day of May, 1920, the Testator revoked the bequest of £500 to the said Thomas Andrews, in trust as aforesaid, and in lieu thereof, made the following bequests:—To the Treasurer for the time being of the Comber Coal Fund, upon trust as therein, £300. To the Treasurer for the time being of the Comber Nursing Society upon trust as therein, £300.
The Testator died on the 3rd day of December, 1924, and Probate of his Will and Codicils was granted forth of the Principal Probate Registry, High Court of Justice, Saorstat Eireann, on the 23rd day of January, 1925, to the Right Honorable James Andrews, of Ennsmere, Comber, County Down, a Lord Justice of Appeal in Northern Ireland, and the Right Honorable John Miller Andrews, of Maxwell Court, Comber, aforesaid, Minister of Labour in Northern Ireland, the surviving Executors named in the said Will and Codicils.
Dated this 29th day of January, 1925.
J. and J. GALLOWAY, Solicitors for said Executors, 14 South Frederick street, Dublin.
To the Commissioners of Charitable Donations and Bequests, and all whom it may concern.

NOTICE OF CHARITABLE DONATIONS AND BEQUESTS.
In the Goods of
JANE FRANCES CARSON, late of No. 46 Palmerston road, Rathmines, in the County of Dublin, Spinster, Deceased.
Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the Statute 30 and 31 Vict., cap 54, that the above-named Deceased, by her Will dated the 19th day of June, 1922, bequeathed to the Representative Body of the Church of Ireland, incorporated under the name of the Representative Church Body, the sum of One Hundred Pounds, the income thereof to be applied towards the Sustentation Fund of the Parish of Kildallon, in the County of Cavan; and the Testatrix declared that the receipt of the Treasurer or other proper officer of the said Representative Body should be a sufficient discharge therefor.
The said Testatrix died on the 13th day of August 1924, and Probate of her said Will was, on the 19th day of November, 1924, granted to Richard Annesley Walker, of No. 86 Merrion square, in the City of Dublin, Solicitor, and Jane Hume Ramsay, of No. 46 Palmerston road, aforesaid, the Executors therein named, forth of the Principal Probate Registry of the High Court of Justice, Saorstat Eireann.
Dated this 28th day of January, 1925.
S. and R. C. WALKER and SON, Solicitors for the said Executors, 86 Merrion square, Dublin.
To the Commissioners of Charitable Donations and Bequests for Ireland and all persons concerned.

STATUTORY NOTICE TO CREDITORS.
In the Goods of
SIR ANDREW HORNE, late of 94 Merrion square, Dublin, Physician, Deceased.
Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the Statute 22 and 23 Vic., Cap. 35, that all persons claiming to be Creditors of, or otherwise to have any claims or demands against the estate or assets of the above-named Deceased, who died on the 5th day of September, 1924, are hereby required, on or before the 5th day of March, 1925, to furnish (in writing) the particulars of such claims and demands to the undersigned Solicitors for the Executors of the said Deceased, to whom probate of the Will of the said Deceased has been granted forth of the Principal Registry of the High Court of Justice in Saorstat Eireann on the 23rd day of January, 1925.
And Notice is hereby further given that after the said 5th day of March, 1925, the said Executors will proceed to distribute the assets of the said Deceased, having regard only to the claims and demands of which notice and particulars have been given as above required.
Dated this 27th day of January, 1925.
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CONTRACTS.

ABBEYLEIX RURAL DISTRICT. COUNTY OF LEIX.
RATHDOWNEY SEWERAGE AND WATER-WORKS SCHEMES.
TO CONTRACTORS.
The Abbeyleix Rural District Council will, at the Meeting to be held on Tuesday, 10th February, 1925, consider Tenders from competent Contractors for the Construction of Sewerage Works and Waterworks for the Town of Rathdowney, County of Leix.
Plans and Specifications can be inspected at the Clerk's Office, Abbeyleix, on any week-day between the hours of 10 a.m. and 5 p.m.; except on Saturdays, when the offices close at 1 p.m.; also at the offices of the Engineer, P. H. McCarthy, M.A., B.A.I., M.I.C.E.I., 26 Lower Leeson street, Dublin.
Copies of the Schedules of Quantities, with forms of Tender, can be obtained at the office of the Engineer on payment of Two Guineas, which will be returned on receipt of bona fide Tenders.
Tenders, with fully-priced Bills of Quantities, endorsed "Tenders for Rathdowney Sewerage and Waterworks," to be delivered in sealed envelope at the office of the undersigned not later than 10 o'clock a.m. on Tuesday, 10th February, 1925.
Separate Tenders are to be supplied for the Sewerage Works and for the Waterworks, and it will be optional for the Council to accept one Contractor's Tender for the Sewerage Works and another Contractor's Tender for the Waterworks, or they may, if they so desire, accept a Tender for both Works combined.
The lowest or any Tender not necessarily accepted, and the Council will not be responsible for any expenses incurred by Contractors tendering.
Tenders to be filled in on the prescribed Form, and to give the names of two solvent sureties, who will be bound jointly and severally with the Contractor in the sum of £3,000 for the Waterworks, and £3,000 for the Sewerage Works, for the due performance of the Contract.
MICHAEL MAHER, Clerk of Rural District Council.
Clerk's Office, Abbeyleix, 28th January, 1925.

TO BUILDERS.
TENDERS are invited for the REBUILDING OF CORRARD HOUSE, DOWRA, for Mrs. R. H. Johnston. Plans and Specification may be obtained on application to Mr. James Donnelly, M.R.I.A.I., Architect, Enniskillen. Tenders to be addressed to Mrs. R. H. Johnston, Corrard House, Dowra, and delivered not later than THURSDAY, 19th February. Tenders marked on the outside, "Tender for House."

LEGAL NOTICES.

STATUTORY NOTICE TO CREDITORS.
In the Goods of
JANE FRANCES CARSON, late of No. 46 Palmerston road, Rathmines, in the County of Dublin, Spinster, Deceased.
Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the Statute 22 and 23 Vic., cap. 35, that all persons claiming to be creditors of, or otherwise to have any claim or demand against the estate or assets of the above-named Deceased, who died on the 13th day of August, 1924, are hereby required, on or before the 16th day of March, 1925, to furnish (in writing) the particulars of such claims and demands to the undersigned Solicitors for Richard Annesley Walker, of 86 Merrion square, Dublin, Solicitor, and Jane Hume Ramsay, of 46 Palmerston road, aforesaid, the Executors named in the Will of the said Deceased, and to whom Probate of the said Will was granted on the 19th day of November, 1924, forth of the Principal Probate Registry of the High Court of Justice, Saorstat Eireann.
And Notice is hereby also given that on the said 16th day of March, 1925, the said Executors will proceed to distribute the assets of the said Deceased amongst the persons entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which notice and particulars shall have been given as above required.
Dated this 28th day of January, 1925.
S. and R. C. WALKER and SON, Solicitors for the said Executors, 86 Merrion square, Dublin.

SAORSTAT EIREANN. HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE.
Pursuant to an Order of the High Court of Justice, made in the matter of the Estate of
PERCY S. HUTCHINSON, Deceased.
WILLIAM E. STEARS, Plaintiff;
ISAAC HUTCHINSON and ANOTHER, Defendants.
The creditors of Percy S. Hutchinson, late of Lynwood, Gorey, in the County of Wexford, Merchant, who died in or about the month of June, 1924, are, on or before the Fourth day of March, 1925, to send by post, prepaid, to Casey, Clay and Collins, of 21 St. Andrew street, Dublin, the Solicitors for the Plaintiff, their names, addresses, and descriptions, the full particulars of their claims, a statement of their accounts, and the nature of the securities (if any) held by them. And all persons claiming to be incumbrancers affecting the real estate of the said Percy S. Hutchinson are, by their solicitors to come in and prove their claims at Chambers, Law Courts, Dublin, on or before the said 4th day of March, 1925, or in default thereof they will be peremptorily excluded from the benefit of the said Order. Every creditor or claimant on real estate holding any security is to produce the same at Chambers, Law Courts, Dublin, on the 11th day of March, 1925, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, being the time appointed for adjudicating on the claims.
Dated this 23rd day of January, 1925.
JOHN HEALY, Chief Clerk.

Notice of Sitting for Proof of Debts.—21.
SAORSTAT EIREANN.
HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE—IN BANKRUPTCY.
In the Matter of
ALFRED VARD, trading as HENRY H. TAYLOR, of 48 Grafton street, Dublin, Furrier, a Bankrupt.
A Public Sitting in this Matter will be held before the Chief Registrar, at the Law Courts, the Castle, Dublin, on Friday, the 20th day of February, 1925, at the hour of Eleven o'clock forenoon, for the Proof and Admission of Debts and for the vouching of the Official Assignee's account.
A creditor may prove his debt at the Sitting, or send his Affidavit of Debt in the prescribed form or his detailed account to the undernamed Official Assignee four days previously to the Sitting in order to have the same admitted.
Dated this 29th day of January, 1925.
W. A. T. COBBE, Acting Deputy Registrar.
ALFRED GEORGE HOLLINSHEAD, Official Assignee, Bankruptcy Buildings, Law Courts, Dublin.
W. G. BRADLEY and SONS, Solicitors for the Assignees, 11 Lower Ormond quay, Dublin.

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BACHELOR (country) requires, March, Male or Female Cook General; send photo, copies papers, stating religion, age, terms. Address "Z 1151, Cook General," this office. 27 F

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USEFUL Lady's Maid (Catholic) required to attend delicate lady. All particulars, 187, Irish Times Branch Office, Baggot street. 26 E

VACANCIES for Servants, Housemaid, Dublin, London castle.—Employment Bureau, 45 Dawson street.

WANTED, Useful Sewingmaid. Apply, with particulars, salary, age, religion, copies only of references, to Mrs. Hall-Dare, Newtownbarry, Co. Wexford. 24 F

WANTED, a reliable girl for General Housework and to Assist in Shop, outdoor, North side.—F 517, this office. 28 E

WANTED, for South of Ireland, strong Girl as General Help (indoor); able to milk if required; send copies references, stating age and wages expected. Address "Z 1233, Help," this office. 29 B

WANTED, strong young daily Maid; must be thoroughly clean in person and work, good plain cook. Apply, after 7 p.m., with references, 18 Stephen's Green. 29 F

VACANCIES FOR SERVANTS.
There are many vacancies in the REGISTRY of the "Irish Times" for all classes of Trained and Untrained Servants. Good wages offered. No fees charged. MATRON can recommend comfortable Homes where Servants can stay while waiting for situations. T

COOKS AND DAIRYMAIDS WANTED.

COOK General Wanted, suburbs; must be willing and obliging, and well recommended; small family; baby 12 months; full particulars wages, copies references, etc.—F 199, this office. 26 E

COOK General and House Parlourmaid Wanted; good plain cooking essential; no washing or scrubbing. Call after 5 o'clock, 11 Rostrevor terrace, Orwell road, Rathgar.

GOOD Singlehanded Cook required, small dairy; wages £35, age 45; when replying copy reference must be sent. Address "Z 1236, Cook," this office. 29 B

LONDON—Wanted, good Cook General, family two; several others. Call Maipster's, 11 Sth. Anne st.

WANTED, good Cook General and House Parlourmaid for newly built modern house, all comforts; wages £40 and £36; must have good references and experience.—"Isbedale," Renuil road, Hampstead, N.W.2. 28 A

WANTED immediately, good Cook General, for small country house; other servants kept; understands small dairy and fowl. Send copies references to Mrs. J. Murphy, Killurah, Killavullen. 29 A

WANTED for Monkstown, a well recommended Cook General; must cook well; two in family; small washing. Apply, stating age, enclosing copies of references, M 648, Irish Times Branch Office, Kingstown. 29 X

WANTED, experienced Girl as Cook General, outdoor. Apply 6 Elm Park Villas, Ranelagh.

YOUNG Cook General; laundress; must be recommended. Apply Beulah, Harbour road, Dalkey. 27 F

GENERALS WANTED.

A YOUNG General Wanted for small Dublin family; nice house; holidays given. Reply, stating wages expected, enclosing copies references.—27 Hamilton road, Bangor, Co. Down. 26 F

DOMESTICS CONTINUED.

A SUPERIOR young General Wanted near Ranelagh; must cook well; small house; no washing; two family; late dinner.—F 585, this office. 29 F

EXPERIENCED General Wanted for Kingstown; wages £26-£28.—E 29, Irish Times Branch Office, Kingstown. 28 A

EXPERIENCED, superior General Wanted for Pembroke district; good discharges essential; good wages; three in family.—201, Irish Times Branch Office, Baggot street Bridge.

EXPERIENCED General Servant Wanted, family two, country; £24-£26. Send copies, Rectory, Butterstown, Meath.

GENERAL Wanted, willing to undertake a little plain cooking; help given; four in family; comfortable home for respectable girl; references required.—Berman, 105 Brondesbury road, London, N.W.6.

GOOD General Required. Apply 1 to 3 o'clock or after 6 o'clock.—50 Kenilworth Park. 26 E

GENERAL Wanted, Sandycove (Protestant), indoor or outdoor. Apply F 442, this office. 28 E

GENERAL Wanted for business house, accustomed to children; fair wages.—F 516, this office. 28 E

GENERAL Servant Wanted; young; cook, wash. Apply 8 Winton road, Leeson Park. 29 F

GENERAL for Daily Work, 9 till 6; state age, wages, send copies.—F 594, Irish Times Branch Office, Kingstown. 29 F

GENERAL for Morning Work; state age, experience, wages required.—F 593, Irish Times Branch Office, Kingstown. 29 F

LADY (alone) wants good General Servant; must be good cook.—Hepworth, Clonsilla. 28 E

RELIABLE General required (Protestant) for seaside town, convenient Belfast; state age, experience, wages. Apply Mrs. Glass, Farnham Park, Bangor, Down. 26 E

SUPERIOR General Wanted; good home. Call, after 6.30, 2 Sandford avenue, Donnybrook. 28 E

STRONG young country girl to Train as General; early riser; must be recommended. Apply 18 Pembroke road.

WANTED, young General.—55 Rutland square. 27 F

WANTED, General, good plain cook; must be willing and obliging; no washing or ironing; daily help given. Apply Mrs. Hughes, Hazelbrook, Rathfarnham. 27 F

WANTED for small house, two family, a really capable girl as General Maid; must be good laundress; copies references, wage.—F 509, this office. 28 E

WANTED, General, R.C., to cook, wash, do all housework, help with invalid; family two; send copies references, state age, wages required.—Mrs. Daly, Moyne Lodge, Baldoyle. 28 A

WANTED immediately, for grown up family, near Bray, good General, Catholic; country girl preferred; some experience desirable; plain cooking, washing, poultry, etc.; early riser; good references; £25, commencing.—F 487, this office. 28 E

WANTED, experienced General, good cook; two in family.—Bee Hill, Ebloene, Malahide.

WANTED, experienced General; good cook, washing indoor; enclose copy of references, state wages and age; Clontarf.—F 510, this office. 29 B

WANTED, bright young General; must be thoroughly good cook; well recommended; housework light; two in family. Apply Hall Flat, 9 Eden Park, Kingstown.

WANTED, a smart, capable General, for two in family; early riser and good plain cook; small washing; help given; must be very highly recommended.—Mrs. O'Brien, St. Helen's, Sandycove. 29 A

WANTED, well recommended General; good cook as etc.; town house, three adults; other help; state wages.—F 590, this office.

WANTED, for Carrickmines, experienced young General; four in family; no children; good wages. 29 B

WANTED, an experienced General for a ... in the city, good cook, ... no children; must be well recommended.—F 617, this office.

DOMESTICS CONTINUED.

HOUSE AND PARLOURMAIDS WANTED.

EXPERIENCED House Parlourmaid Wanted end February, doctor's house, family two, no lamps, boots; age, wages, copies.—Morton, Birr, King's County. 25 D

EXPERIENCED Housemaid, Protestant, upper of two, required 10th February, country, Co. Louth. Address "Z 1180, Maid," this office. 27 F

HOUSE Parlourmaid required middle of February, upper of two, country situation; must be able to valet and sew; family two. Send copies and state age, wages, and all particulars to Mrs. Tyacke, Bloomfield, Mullingar.

WANTED, Ashford, Wicklow, experienced, well trained House Parlourmaid; good wages; good references necessary. Address "Z 1058, Maid," this office. 28 E

WANTED, experienced Upper Housemaid early February; send copies, age, and religion, wages expected.—Mrs. Madden, Hilton Park, Clones. 30 E

WANTED, Under Housemaid for a country house in England, age 20 to 24. Apply, stating age, wages and references, to Mrs. Pyke, Thistleton Lodge, near Kirkham, Lancashire. 27 E

WANTED at once, for Monkstown, two experienced Maids—House Parlourmaid and Cook General; small dairy; sisters or friends preferred; good wages; no basement; no children. Apply, with copies of references, F 415, this office.

WANTED, young girl, partly trained, as Housemaid, £18, Rathmines district.—F 507, this office. 28 E

WANTED, for 9th February, experienced House Parlourmaid, Dublin suburbs. Apply by letter, F 568, this office. 29 F

WANTED, R.C. House Parlourmaid; letter only.—O'Connor, Granite Hall, Kingstown.

NURSES WANTED.

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WANTED, respectable Protestant Nurse, to take charge of three children, eldest four years; good wages to experienced girl. Apply Mrs. Hughes, Hazelbrook, Rathfarnham. 27 F

WANTED, immediately, young Girl, R.C., age 18-24, as Nurse for three children; must be able sew and wash; one with some experience preferred. Send copies of references, stating salary, to Mrs. L. F. Higgins, Kilkelly, Mayo. 29 B

WANTED a young Girl daily, to take out child.—A. B., Irish Times Branch Office, Kingstown.

KITCHEN, LAUNDRY, ETC., WANTED.

WANTED, experienced Laundress, single handed, for country; near Dundalk. Send particulars, age, copies references, wages expected, with cottage, to Mrs. MacNeill, Mount Pleasant, Co. Louth. 27 F

DOMESTICS DISENGAGED.

GOOD young Daily Worker, Kingstown or Ballsbridge; highly recommended.—F 557, this office.

LADY can recommend capable Working Housekeeper; splendid cook; would also take position as Help or Companion to old lady; educated, refined manner; age 45. Address "Z 1243, Housekeeper," this office. 29 F

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A COOK General, go General.—199, Irish Times Branch Office, Baggot street Bridge.

COOK or Cook General; small washing; well recommended.—F 545, Irish Times Branch Office, Baggot street Bridge.

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GOOD Cook disengaged, city or suburbs.—F 605, Irish Times Branch Office, Baggot street Bridge.

TWO Girls seek situations together, good Cook, understands dairy, cakes, sweets, good pastry, made up dishes, long references; also Housemaid, good girl, understands housework, agreeable, well recommended; disengaged before 21st. Address "Z 1242, Cook," this office.

YOUNG Cook General, small family; suburbs preferred.—F 444, this office. 28 E

GENERALS DISENGAGED.

AN experienced General (Protestant) disengaged; two years last place; wages £30 to £36; city or suburbs.—F 319, this office. 26 E

COUNTRY Girl, 17 (Co. Wexford), wishes situation as General; untrained; priest's reference. Address "Z 1202, General," this office. 28 E

GOOD young General seeks place, Protestant family; highest references.—F 556, this office.

GENERAL, settled, reliable; I.C.; good cook; like situation, small family.—F 551, this office.

LADY wishes to recommend experienced young General; excellent plain cook; strictly honest.—F 528, this office. 28 A

LADY desires to recommend young General; partly trained, or would go as Nurse; very kind and trustworthy.—F 527, this office. 28 A

LADY recommends superior young General, city; only disengaged Monday.—14 Hatch street.

SETTLED Person (Protestant), General, wishes situation, homely, kind family.—F 540, this office.

YOUNG Girl wishes go General or House Parlourmaid in small family; highly recommended. Address B. M., Kilmore, Kilcock.

YOUNG General, small family; good plain cook; good discharges.—F 558, this office.

YOUNG Girl to train General; good references.—F 562, this office.

YOUNG General would like to go to small family; can be well recommended.—Bridie Walsh, Eyre street, Newbridge, Co. Kildare.

HOUSE AND PARLOURMAIDS DISENGAGED.

EXPERIENCED Parlourmaid seeks situation, small family; highly recommended; good references. Dublin, suburbs. Address "Z 1204, Maid," this office.

EXPERIENCED young Housemaid (Protestant), city or suburbs; good references.—F 531, this office. 26 E

EXPERIENCED House Parlourmaid wishes situation; R.C.; excellent references; Co. Louth preferred. Address "Z 1251, House Parlourmaid," this office.

HOUSE Parlourmaid, experienced, R.C., wishes a situation in small family; disengaged. Address "Z 1132, Maid," this office. 26 E

HOUSE Parlourmaid disengaged; experienced, highly recommended; R.C. Address "Z 1182, Maid," this office. 27 F

HOUSE Parlourmaid, soon disengaged, highly recommended, would go General to small family. Address "Z 1252, Parlourmaid," this office.

HOUSEMAID, Betweenmaid, or General in institution; good references.—F 559, this office.

LADY recommends respectable girl as Housemaid, partly trained. Address "Z 1212, Housemaid," this office. 28 E

RESPECTABLE Girl requires situation, House Parlourmaid or House Sewingmaid in good family; R.C., excellent references; near Dublin preferred. Address "Z 1241, Maid," this office.

RESPECTABLE young Girl wants situation House Parlourmaid, go Housemaid or General to suitable place; highly recommended. Address "Z 1188, Girl," this office.

NURSES DISENGAGED.

THOROUGHLY experienced Nurse, Protestant, disengaged, first baby; interview Dublin; highest references.—R O 1556, Irish Times Branch Office, Rathmines. 28 E

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AT KELLY'S, 48 FLEET STREET. Engagement Rings—A magnificent Selection of Secondhand Single stone, Two, Three, Five Stone Gipsy, Marquise, and Cluster Rings, set with Diamonds, Emeralds, Rubies, Sapphires and Pearls, etc., of the finest quality, brilliancy and colour. T

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TEA Service—Genuine Bargain—Reproduction of Old Chelsea, real Bone China, 39 pieces, in Crown Derby pattern, with solid burnished gold handles, square E.P. Plates, Oriental colourings; price £21, sacrifice £14.—The Grafton Stores. T

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WANTED, Bell Tent; state price and where seen.—D. Kelly, Dunlavin. 27 F

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WOMAN AND HER HOME.

GEORGE ELIOT.

IT came as a surprise to me to read recently in the papers the announcement of the death, at eighty-four, of Mr. J. W. Cross, the husband for a few brief months of George Eliot, and the author of her "Life," as related in her letters and journals.

She seemed so essentially to belong to the early and middle Victorian era that it was difficult to realise that one who knew and loved her personally was alive until the other day. She died on the 22nd December, 1880; and forty-four years later her husband was laid to rest by her side in Highgate Cemetery, London.

Contrary to the popular idea of her character, which credited her with a kind of defiant manniahness, she had a soft and clinging nature, and was always, according to Mr. Cross, exceedingly dependent on some one person for affection and support. In her journals and letters, in particular, there comes out prominently the soothing, strengthening, sacred influences of the home life, the home loves, the home duties.

George Eliot possessed that rare combination of qualities, brain power and mind culture, amounting to genius, with a deeply sensitive and warm heart. It was said of her that the trait that was most marked in her all through life was the absolute need of one who should be all to her and to whom she should be all in all.

This characteristic may account for, though it cannot excuse, that one false step she made, from which she never drew back, and apparently of which she never repented—when she decided to join her life to that of G. H. Lewes. Her connection with him lasted until his death, and when this took place she became despondent and inconsolable.

Most of her novels were written during the twenty-four years of their life together, and we may trace in many a significant passage her complete consciousness of the fatal position in which she had placed herself. She was fully aware of her social ostracism, and keenly felt the painful estrangement from her family which her action entailed.

George Eliot had no illusions in the matter. Throughout her novels the teaching takes always this line—that cause is followed by consequence, character is built up slowly from irrevocable acts, and so forgiveness is not to be expected or hoped for. Her horizon was limited by death, and she was distressed at seeing men occupied in affairs which, to her, appeared trivial or futile.

I think it was Lord Acton who said in his essay on the great novelist in his "Historical Essays and Studies" that the doctrine that neither contrition nor sacrifice can appease Nemesis or avert the consequences of our wrong-doing from ourselves or others filled a very large space in her scheme of life and literature. From the bare diagram of Brother Jacob to the profound and finished picture of "Middlemarch" retribution is the constant theme and motive of her art.

A. P. W.

A FEW HINTS ON DANCING.

IT is not enoug' to know a lot of steps to be a good dancer—it is how you do them that matters.

Never forget that the secret of good dancing for a woman is to follow: the man sets the style, the step, the time, and everything else.

Remember that you must never lift your feet off the floor, as in walking; slide them all the time and lift them as little as possible.

Stand erect; do not lean backwards or forwards, or sideways, and do not look at your feet.

Do not hunch your shoulders. This is a common failing, and always looks ugly.

Do not wriggle. Do not pass your feet far apart or do exaggerated steps only fit for the stage. One of the secrets of good dancing is to be unremarkable.

Whatever else you leave undone, hold up the weight of your own arms. This is most important. At the same time, remember they must be supple at the wrist and elbow, because your partner should be able to bend your arm at will as if it were his own.

Do not try to learn more than one or two steps to start with; otherwise you will probably cultivate a worried expression.

Do not try to steer. The man always does this.

Do not imagine that any frock, so long as it is a dance frock, does for a dance. Clothes never matter more, and the girl who can successfully "wear anything" during the day will be well advised not to try to do so in the ballroom.

Do not be under the impression that it is necessary to glue your hair to your head as if you were going for a walk in a hurricane. Modern dancing is not so strenuous as all that.

M. Q.

WINTER DECORATIONS.

TO those of us who do not possess hot houses, the problem of suitable winter room decorating is often a serious one.

Cut flowers usually prove far beyond the means of the average housekeeper, who must needs resort to evergreen pot plants, if she would have her home fresh and attractive. Much has been said on the care of palms, without doubt the most effective and graceful of all pot plants, and considered by most people to be extremely difficult to cultivate. This is a mistake. All a healthy palm really needs is a soil of good porous leaf mould, occasional waterings, and plenty of good air, free from draughts. If your plant is in a sittingroom, particularly one in which gas is constantly burning, see that the room gets a good airing every day, and that the leaves of the plant are kept moist and free from dust.

The primitive plan of putting all house plants out of doors when a good shower of rain is falling often works much better than the more elaborate care usually lavished on them. House plants need warmth, but unless the heat is moist it does more harm than good. Provided there is no frost, and that the plants are not in a direct draught, cold air does them very little harm.

Never let water lodge at the roots of plants, but see that they get their chief moisture through the leaves: this is very important. Do not place indoor plants where the fronds or leaves touch the wall, or where they are in danger of being rubbed against by passers-by. This often leads to almost complete destruction of the plant; but, above all, avoid draughts.

T.E.D.

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SALE, Self Centreing Chuck, in perfect condition, 20/-. Address "Z 1237, Machinery," this office. 29 B

TURBINE for Sale, Gilbert and Gilkes, 14 h.p., 6 ft. fall; going cheap; best offer, as it stands on site, accepted. Address "Z 1106, Turbine," this office. 26 E

WOOD Turning Lathe, 7 feet 5½ centre complete; 2½ h.p. Petrol Engine, 12 feet 2½ shafting, 238 ins Drive Pulleys, 50 feet new 3 ins. Belata Belting, 2 Carpenters' Benches, also surplus Tools and Timber, 1 50 ft. Carpenter's Workshop Lean-to, Timber and Galvanised Iron; to be Sold in 1 lot or separately; owner going abroad. Apply to Thomas Meaney, Bagenalstown. 27 T

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3½ AMANCO Engine for Sale.—Bayly, Woodenbridge. 27 E

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FROM THE LEGAL DIARY.

LAW NOTICES—Friday, January 30th, 1925.

CUIRT BHREITHEAMHNAIS UACHTARACH (the Supreme Court of Justice)—At 11 o'clock. For hearing: Appeal—85—1924 Estate of William Darcy. New Trial Motion—34—1924 Howard v. O'Connor and Co. Appeal—5—1925 Moore v. Allen.

CUIRT ATHCHOMHAIRC CHOIRIULA (Court of Criminal Appeal). For Monday next, 2nd February. Sitting in Supreme Court, at 11 o'clock. Appeals—Attorney-General v. Mary Moynihan—(1) Appeal against Conviction; (2) leave to call further evidence; Attorney-General v. John Shine, appeal against sentence.

AN PRIMH-BHREITHEAMH (Chief Justice)—Before the Chief Justice. For to-morrow (Saturday), 31st January. In the Supreme Court, at 11 o'clock. Petition for the Appointment of Commissioners for Oaths—Thomas Neligan, at Dingle; John O'Dowd, at Westport. In Lunacy. Motions—52nd Sec. Exparte, J. H. Walsh and Co.; 68th Sec. A. Carroll. Petitions—52nd Sec. O'Keeffe and Lynch; 15th Sec. and Trustee Act, 1852. Keohane; 12th Sec. A. J. Beatty. This day. In Lunacy. Before the Registrar, 11.30 o'clock—Statement, Baker, Ringwood and Gordon; do., J. Fagan; summons, Collis and Ward. Chief Justice's Chambers, before the Chief Clerk, at 11.30 o'clock—Pigott, minors; Jackson, minors; Brogan v. Blake; Davis v. Crosbie.

AN ARD-CHUIRT BHREITHEAMHNAIS (the High Court of Justice)—Court No. 4, before Mr. Justice Meredith, at 11 o'clock. Motion—O'Brien v. Quinn. Action—Cahill v. Attorney-General (part heard). For Thursday, 5th February—O'Kelly v. M'Carthy.

IN COURT 2—Before Mr. Justice Murnaghan, at 11 o'clock. Wednesday, 4th February. Action—Murphy v. Lowry, part heard. Wednesday, 11th February. Action—Hyland v. Cusack. Wednesday, 18th February. Action—Short v. Lambe.

IN COURT 3—At 11 o'clock. Exparte Motions. (At conclusion of Bankruptcy List.) On Notice—May v. Leonard; Weldon v. Fallon; Bell v. Farney; Kay v. Hickey; M'Cabe v. Union.

PROBATE AND MATRIMONIAL—Before Mr. Justice Murnaghan, in Court No. 3, at 11 o'clock. Probate. Exparte Motions—In the goods of Kate Devine, deceased; in the goods of Julia Coghlan, deceased; Murray v. Coleman. Summonses—Flynn v. O'Brien; Slowey v. Slowey same v. same. On Notice—In the goods of John Connolly, deceased; in the goods of John Mulcahy, deceased. Matrimonial. Exparte—Hughes v. Hughes. On Notice—O'Carroll v. O'Carroll; Sullivan v. Sullivan.

BANKRUPTCY—Before Mr. Justice Murnaghan, in Court No. 3 (at conclusion of Probate list)—Arrangements, Collins and Son, Hunter and Burland, Joynt and Crawford, S. G. Rutherford, W. V. Seddall, Collins and Son, T. Kennedy, J. J. M'Donald, J. H. Montgomery, Horan and Devine, Collins and Son, Collins and Son; Ryan, 1st public sitting, R. H. Commins; M'Keever, 1st public sitting, Jas. Fagan; O'Brien, 1st public sitting, Horan and Devine; Fitzsimons and Spiedal, 1st meeting comp., W. J. M. Coulter; Farmer, do., J. J. Early; do., 1st public sitting, J. J. Early; do., final exam., J. J. Early; Fletcher, 1st meeting comp., Collins and Son, Muldoon, 1st meeting comp., Molloy, Fayle, and Co.; Muldoon, 1st public sitting, Molloy, Fayle and Co.; Muldoon, final exam., Molloy, Fayle and Co.; Farrell, account comp., Cussen and Kieran; Farrell, motion, J. Tweedy; Farrell, exam. witnesses, Collins and Son; Keely, final exam., J. H. Callan and Son; Healy, final exam., Horan and Devine; Reynolds, final exam., Fullerton and Doyle; Galbraith, final exam., W. V. Seddall, Murphy, exam. witnesses, J. Fagan. Gorham, motion, B. A. Howe; Field, motion, Porter, Morris and Co.; Field, motion, Collins and Son; arrangement, motion, W. V. Seddall; arrangement, motion, Collins and Son; Cumming, motion, J. M. Cullen; application to dismiss debtors' summons, W. V. Seddall; Friary account comp., Collins and Son; arrangement, account comp., Little and Cullen; arrangement, account comp., J. W. Davis; arrangement, account comp., Collins and Son; Reilly, audit and dividend, J. P. Tyndall; arrangement, audit and dividend, Collins and Son; Mooney, audit mtgee. account, Collins and Son; Kieran, audit account, T. Cronhelm; Egan, motion, Scallan and Co.; Egan, motion, Malcomson and Law.

TRIALS BY JURY.—In Court No. 2, at 11 o'clock. Non-Juries—Shuley and Co. v. Gleeson (goods sold); Burns v. the Minister of Defence (goods sold); the Gaumont Co., Ltd., v. Gough and another (hire of films). In the Benchers Chambers, at 11 o'clock. Non-Juries—Cooper v. Weir (possession), to be mentioned; Crossdaile v. Kelly (Probate); Chuse v. Fivan (possession); de Courcey v. Dawney and another (ejectment); same v. same (rent). The parties in the above non-jury actions should be prepared to go on in either Court. The City Common Jurors need not attend until Monday next, 2nd February. The City Special Jurors need not attend until Tuesday next, 3rd February. For Monday, 2nd February. City Common—Maguire v. Dempsey Bros. (breach of contract); Murphy v. O'Shea (money paid); Brown v. Carson (rent). For Tuesday, 3rd February. City Special—Curraghboy Co-operative Farming Society, Ltd., v. Lynch (money had). City Common—Lindsay v. Andrews (possession); Kay v. Hickey (personal injuries); Geoghegan v. Watt, Ltd. (personal injuries). For Wednesday, 4th February. City Special—Goldberg v. Montgomery (personal injuries). City Common—Deenihan v. Carroll (probate); Murphy v. E. and T. Martin, Ltd. (breach of warranty); Holt and Sons, Ltd., v. Selligan and Co., and a counterclaim (goods sold). For Thursday, 5th February. City Common—O'Brien v. Waterford Co. Council (personal injuries); Peelo v. Kidds, Ltd. (personal injuries). For Friday, 6th February. Non-Jury—The Stoll Film Co., Ltd., v. Sexton (hire of films); O'Reilly v. Thompson (goods sold); Keegan v. Tracy (money due).

COURT OF THE IRISH LAND COMMISSION.—Land Act, 1923 ... the Courts of Justice, Dublin Castle. In Court No. 1 before Mr. Justice Wylie, at 11 o'clock—Hy. C. Bourke, owner, Kate Flanerty, tenant, motion from 27th inst. Objections—Capt. M. C. O'Connell, Reps. Mortimer King; same, Jn. Connell and another; — Eager, Ml. Moriarty and another; Mrs. Cherry R. M. Jackson, Reps. John Jeffery. Appeal—Same, same. Objections—Ewd. S. Barry, Cornelius Healy; same, Daniel Sheehan; same, Reps. Mrs. Wm. Hickey; Victor Shean Carter, John Keogh; same, same; Emma M. Lydon, Michael Nolty; do., Thos. M'Donagh; do., Reps. Patrick M'Donagh; do., T. Hughes and another; do., John Carroll; do., Reps. Mary Rogers; do., Reps. P. Hyland; do., Patrick Hughes; Mrs. Martha Goucher, Mrs. Winifred Mulrey; F. M. Lynch, John Farrell and another, Mrs. K. Nolan, Cas. Curran; do., John Curran; do., Patrick Curran, Reps. J. J. Ryan, Reps. Mannion; Lee, Thos. O'Gara, Thos. Brehony; do., Thos. Hunt; do., Anne Rogers; Arthur O'Connor Thos. Conway; do., Patrick Dowd; do., James Gormley and another; do., Mary Henry; do., Thos. Hussey; do., Mary Mannion and another; do., James Fahy and another; do., Thos. Greehan; do., Matt Rafferty; do., Michael Kerrawn; do., Wm. Stretch; do., John M'Loughlin; Reps. John C. Delmege, Ml. Keane, Jun.; do., James Keane; Henry V. Macnamara, John Claire; do., John Claire; do., John Claire; Mabel M. Carter, Mrs. Margaret Meleny; Ina M. Castel, Wm. Telford; H. W. Jackson, John A. M'Caene; do., Miss Eliza Hayes; Elizabeth Coshy, Philip M'Givney; do., Reps. Patrick M'Givney; Peter Aylward, Wm. Bambrick; do., Patrick M'Donald; Misses Chapman, Matthew Goff; A. W. Doherty and others, Margaret Doorey; Stephen's Hospital, Mrs. Elizabeth Murtagh; Geo. Plunkett, Patrick Farnan; Major R. F. Hobbs, Edward Keating; Sir Eyre Coote, Patrick Early; Mr. E. A. Holmes, Joseph Poynton. Land Registrar—Before Mr. Justice Wylie, in Court No. 1. (At conclusion of Land Commission List.) Exparte Motions. Chambers No. 2 (Room 38), at 11.30 o'clock—Carrigan and Wilson v. O'Neill, sign cert.; Boyle v. Leonard; Kane v. Rooney; Cummins v. Crean; Lehane v. Murphy; Janson v. Parkes. Chambers No. 2 (Room 39), at 11 o'clock—Carter v. Stubbs, sign cert.; R. C. M'Cleane, deceased, Magina v. M'Cleane, sign cert.; Ulster Bank, Ltd., v. Buckley, do.; P. O'Connor and Son, Ltd., v. Fagan; M. Mooney, deceased, Mooney v. Mooney; P. Gallagher deceased, Hoey v. Gallagher; Workmen's Benefit Building Society v. Bresan; Dunshlin Co-operative Agricultural Society, Ltd., v. Fitzgerald, deceased, Fitzgerald v. Fitzgerald; P. Nolan, deceased, Nolan v. Nolan.

CONSOLIDATED TAXING OFFICE.—Master Kilbride, at 11 o'clock—Laurence Mooney, a bankrupt M. Collins and Son; Castleblayney Urban District Council to Laverty, C. Laverty; Kiely v. O'Connor, F. M. Fitt and Co.; Connor v. O'Brien, Joyce and Pussford; Mark Deasing, at 11 o'clock, Frazer Tarleton—Hamill v. Attorney-General, Meenan and Black; Hamill v. Attorney-General, P. Kerr. Mr. Dickinson, Examiner, at 11 o'clock—Nunn v. Barton.

BANKRUPTCY—Before the Chief Registrar, at 11 o'clock—Walsh, prove debts and vouch, Sean O hUadhaigh; Quilty, prove debts, Nork and O'Reilly; Mooney, vouch account, Collins and Son; arrangement, prove debts, A. Cox and Co.; Jackson, reference, Cussen and Kieran; arrangement, prove debts, Collins and Son; do., account comp., P. Keaney; do., account comp., P. M. Seales.

AN CHUIRT BHREITHIUNAIS CHUARDA (Circuit Court of Justice)—At Court No. 5, The Castle, Dublin, at 11 o'clock. Increase of Rent Act, 1923—Flood, applicant, v. Mangan, respondent; Hade, applicant, v. Collins do.; Fitzsimons, applicant, Boyle, do.; Pemberton, applicant, v. Barry, do.; Boyle v. Fitzsimons, ejectment. Civil Actions—Hehir v. Elberry; Dixon v. Brennan; Farrell v. Commissioners of Dublin Union; Fitzsimons v. Brady; Farrell v. Byrne; Fagan v. Quinlan. For Monday, 2nd February. At Court No. 5, Dublin Castle, at 11 o'clock—Tracey v. Dunphy (Town Tenants Act—for judgment; Carlos v. Wayte, for judgment. Valuation Appeals—Thos. Mooney, appellant, the Commissioners of Valuation, respondents; Alex. Thom and Co., Ltd., appellants, do. For Tuesday, 3rd February—MacSweeney v. Hutchinson; Fry (J.) v. Manning; Fry (E.) v. same; Guilfoyle v. Kernan; Hall v. Downes; Hayman v. Burns; Hoey v. M'Sherry; Irish Telephone Co. v. Gresham Hotel Co.; Kearney v. Rathmines U.D.C.; Kelly v. Gogarty; Lowry v. Keoings; Meldon v. Gleeson; Maguire (P. J.) v. Brady; Maguire (Patrick) v. Brady.

COIMISIUN CUIRTEANNA DHAIL EIREANN CRIOCHNU GNOTHA (Dail Eireann Courts (Winding Up) Commission)—Before the Judicial Commissioner and Mr. Commissioner C. S. Kenny, in Court No. 1, Dail Courts Commission Buildings, Caisleán Bla Cliath, at 11 o'clock. For Hearing—Avon India Rubber Co. v. Flanegan, Kautor v. Moulds; Morgan v. Flanagan; Downey v. Grady; Russell v. Hatchell.

IRISH LAND COMMISSION.—At Examiners' Chambers. Before Mr. Jeffrey White, at 3 o'clock—Higginbotham and others (E.C. 6229), Thompson's Tithes, vouch. At 3.30 o'clock—W. B. Beamish (E.C. 5910), discharge rulings. Before Mr. Stubbs, at 11 o'clock—Elizabeth Fallon (S. 30), discharge rulings. At 2.30 o'clock—J. M. Dobbin (E.C. 6924), vouch. Before Mr. Longfield, at 11.30 o'clock—Eliza A. Longfield (E.C. 1441), vouch. Before Mr. Brett, at 2.30 o'clock—David B. Jacob (E.C. 7665), settle schedule.

OIREACHTAS.—Private Bill Committees. For Tuesday, 3rd February, at 11.15 a.m.—Dublin United Tramways (Omnibus Services) Bill, recommitted. For Wednesday, 4th February, at 10.30 a.m.—East Leinster Electricity Supply Bill; Dublin Electricity Supply Bill; Dublin and District Electricity Supply Bill, resumed.

DUBLIN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

At the election for ten members of the Council of the Dublin Chamber of Commerce the following candidates were declared successful:—

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BRISTOL.—Moderate supply. Beef 100/- per cwt., best dearer. Mutton—Average offering, 1/6 to 1/7 per lb. About 400 store cattle; trade quiet at late rates. Milch cows £23 to £30, up to £42 for best.

GRAIN.

FLOATING GRAIN CARGOES.—BALTIC—WHEAT—The strong tone so marked in the floating and forward shipment section for some time past became more intensified to-day. Sellers adopted reserve for all descriptions, which resulted in a fresh advance of 1/- per qr. being established. The Nordbo, 7,000 tons Australian Feb. resold at 72/-; the Fernbank, 6,700 tons do March resold 71/3; the Nelisement, 6,700 tons late Jan. to early Feb. resold 72/6; the Trewellard, 6,800 tons Victorian March 71/6; the Tearle, 7,200 tons ditto resold 71/3; the Nolisement, 5,700 tons ditto April resold 71/3; the Selristan, 7,200 tons Australian expected to load 30th inst. sold 71/6 and later resold 72/3; steamer, 5,500 tons Rosafe 63½lbs. Jan.-Feb 72/9, 6,000 tons Barusso 63lbs. Jan.-Feb. 72/- and the following sailers were also disposed of:—The Svaranat, 2,800 tons Australian 1st to 14th Feb. 70/6; the Grace Harwar, 2,800 tons ditto Feb. 70/6; the Danekonge, 2,400 tons ditto Feb. 71/6; the Alonso, 3,300 tons ditto Feb. 70/3 and since resold at 71/10½. No. 1 Northern Manitoba nominal. Choice white Karachi Jan.-Feb. sellers 71/6. Of parcels, which experienced an active movement at 1/- to 1/6 per qr. more money, No. 1 Northern Manitoba Feb.-March changed hands at 79/6, Australian Jan.-Feb. 71/6, Karachi May-June 66/-, and Rosafe 64lbs. Jan.-Feb. 72/0 per 480lbs. MAIZE cargoes reservedly offered at a slight advance. There is a fair inquiry for near positions. Plate steamers afloat sellers 47/-, with 46/9 bid; Feb.-March sellers 49/-; Gal.-Fox. Feb. to 15th March sellers 48/3, and No. 6 yellow African afloat 47/9. Parcels firmer, though rather unsettled in the case of new crop positions. Plate afloat sold 45/-, Feb.-March 48/- to 48/1½, May-June 44/7½ to 44/4½; No 6 yellow African July-Aug. new crop sellers 42/-, and No. 2 white flat ditto 43/-, with buyers 42/9 per 480lbs. BARLEY in quiet request, but held firmly; No. 3 Canadian Western parcels Jan. sellers 42/6, Karachi Jan.-Feb. 42/9 and April-May 41/3 per 400lbs. OATS quietly steady; Plate f.a.q. afloat sellers 27/-, Feb.-March 26/9, and No. 2 Canadian Western Jan. 33/9 per 320lbs.

LIVERPOOL.—WHEAT—The further heavy rise in America and the Argentine caused forward deliveries of wheat here to commence somewhat excitedly, and further considerable advances were paid, but a natural reaction and a forecast of heavy Argentine shipments for the past week, then moderate fluctuations, took place, but prices again moved downwards, but despite weak afternoon cables finished slightly over the worst point, though marking a liberal decline from last night. C.i.f. parcels choice white Karachi May-June sold at 65/9 to Liverpool, same position at 66/-, and Rosario-Santa Fe about shipping at 74/- to 73/9 to Manchester. C.i.f. parcels maize River Plate May-June sold at 44/- per qr. Wheat on the spot neglected and nominal. MAIZE—Spot parcels steady at 10/- to 10/0½ for River Plate, and 10/- to 10/1 for Australian and round yellow African. Yellow African flour 1/6 dearer. Official price of straight run 59/- per 280lbs. ex mill. Wheat futures closed 1½d. to 1½d. lower after opening 2½d. to 3½d. per cental dearer. Maize options closed ½d. per cental dearer.

MANCHESTER—Wheat—English shows material advance on last week, 63/- to 64/- per quarter on rail. Foreign also firmer, at sharp advance on last week. Maize firm: Plate spot 10/3. Oats rather slow; English 29/6 to 31/6 on rail. English beans 50/- to 52/-. Feeding barley—English 46/- to 48/- per quarter on rail. Flour—Straight run 57/6 per sack at mill.

BRISTOL.—Fair supply of English wheat at 62/- to 65/- for good lots. Foreign—Prices advanced materially; No. 1 Northern Manitoba 84/-. Grinding barley improved, advancing; No. 4 Canadian Western 43/3. Maize strong; Plate 44/9. Oats dearer; No. 2 Canadian Western 39/6 to 40/-.

PROVISIONS.

LIVERPOOL.—Irish and Danish BACON continues quiet, with free sellers at the recent decline for Danish, while Irish is now reduced to 108/- to 114/- per cwt. Canadian Wiltshires quiet and sellers easy to approach. The market for American selections of bacon here shows little new feature, holders being still free sellers in view of the accumulating stocks, but the only quotable change is in singed Wiltshires, which are reduced to 80/- to 82/- per cwt. HAMS again rule quiet, and short cut easier at 98/- to 110/- per cwt. Shoulders attract little attention, and squares now reduced to 72/- to 76/-, light weight picnics 68/- to 72/-, and heavier averages 67/- to 69/- per cwt. LARD on the spot, in sympathy with the weakness in Chicago, is offered at 6d. to 1/- per cwt. decline, prime steam being most affected at 82/- to 82/6, while American refined quoted 80/9 to 83/- per cwt., and the demand generally of only a moderate character. CHEESE quiet at about late rates. BUTTER firm and fairly active, with Danish dearer at 211/- to 213/- per cwt. EGGS quiet at 21/- to 23/- for Irish hen, 23/- to 24/- duck, and 8/6 to 9/9 Egyptian, per 120.

LIVERPOOL REFINED LARD FUTURES.—Influenced by the sharp decline in Chicago prices here were decidedly lower at the opening, and fluctuated moderately at the end of the early session, and were generally 1/- per cwt. under last night. January sold at 80/6 to 80/3, March 81/3 to 81/-, May 81/9 to 81/3 and 81/6 to 81/3, July 83/-, and Sept. 84/3 to 84/6 and 84/3 per cwt. Afternoon cables were colourless, and this market closed 9d. to 1/3 per cwt. lower on the day. March sold 81/- to 80/9, May 81/6 to 81/3, Sept 84/6, January quoted 79/6 to 80/6, July 82/3 to 83/- per cwt.

DUBLIN VEGETABLE.—A good demand for the rather small supply of seasonable vegetables on market at following rates:—York 35/- to 50/- and 60/- per load; Savoy 36/- to 40/- and 89/- per load; swede turnips 1/9 to 2/- per cwt., cauliflowers 1/6 to 2/6 and 4/- per dozen, white turnips 8d. to 10d. per bunch, thyme 6d. to 10d., parsley 1/6 to 2/- per tray.

DUBLIN POTATO.—No change to report in prices nor trade for potatoes, the former remain at 8/6 to 9/- and 10/- per cwt., and the latter quiet and dull.

COPENHAGEN BUTTER.—Weekly butter quotation—539 kroner, approximately £10 1/1 per cwt., an increase of 16/9 on the previous week.

CORK BUTTER.—The market remains steady and featureless. Choicest salted 196/- per cwt., creameries 195/-, farmers' fresh parcels 165/-.

DUBLIN FISH.—A good sale was put through for the fair arrival of fish on market—viz., 4 chests lobsters, 121 packages herrings and 3 boxes mackerel, together with a fair consignment from Howth and cross-Channel sources. Prices ran as follows:—Large lobsters 25/- to 30/-, seconds 15/- to 20/-, smalls 10/- to 12/- per lot of 13; large soles 30/- to 40/-, mediums 15/- to 20/-, and slips 6/- to 8/- per 9 pairs; turbot 10/- to 15/- each, brill 2/- to 3/- each large plaice 4/- to 6/- per 4, mediums 4/- to 6/- per 8. Box fish—Plaice 40/- to 80/-, codfish 25/- to 60/-, whiting 25/- to 30/-, ray 25/- to 30/- per half box; herrings averaged 11/- to 22/- per box, and 20/- to 27/6 per barrel, mackerel 40/- per box and 63/- per barrel.

BILLINGSGATE FISH.—Supply moderate; demand fair. Soles 1/5 to 1/8, slips 1/2 to 1/6 per lb.; live eels 20/- to 34/- dead 16/- to 30/- per draught; turbot 10/- to 15/-, brill 9/- to 12/-, plaice 8/- to 14/-, halibut 14/- to 21/-, lemon soles 14/- to 20/-, whitches 6/- to 9/-, whiting 3/- to 4/-, cod 5/- to 7/-, hake 8/- to 11/-, skate 5/- to 7/-, haddocks 5/- to 7/- per stone.

GRIMSBY FISH.—Supply fair; demand good. Plaice 12/-, lemon soles 20/-, halibut 18/- to 25/-, cod 4/- to 6/-, skate 6/- to 8/-, small haddocks 2/9, kit 5/6, gibbed 8/-, dabs 9/-, codlings 4/- to 5/-, whitings 3/- per stone; soles 1/5, turbot 1/-, brill 11d. per lb.

PRODUCE.

LONDON.—SUGAR—There is a sustained demand from the trade, with a fair amount of business doing in spot and near at hand parcels at full to rather dearer prices. British goods unaltered, both spot and forward. Czecho gran. spot done 31/6 to 31/7½ as to quality, ditto ready for shipment 18/3 and April-May 18/4½ f.o.b. Hamburg. White terminal steadier, March sold 17/10½, May 18/- to 17/10½, Aug 18/1½ to 18/-. COFFEE—Spot market fully steady, and there is a fair business doing. RICE market firm, but trade rather quiet in Burma grain; two stars spot London sold 17/6 and Feb.-March sellers 14/6 c.f.i. London; 1,000 tons No. 3 Feb. to the Levant sold 14/9 c.i.f. terms. Japanese demand now shifted from Burma to Saigon. JUTE dearer; firsts March-April Continent sold £39 5/-. HEMP—Manila idle and nominally unaltered. COPRA steady; F.M.S. Straits Jan.-March to Rotterdam sold £30 2/6 and buyers. PALM KERNELS—Feb.-April to Liverpool sold £21 15/-.

RUBBER steady, quiet; standard plantation spot and Feb. sold 1/5¼, March 1/5¼, April-June 1/5¼, July-Sept. 1/5¼. TEA—9,500 packages Java and Sumatra auctioned met a fair demand; common kinds ½d. to ½d. per lb. lower, but finer qualities steady to rather dearer. Pekoe sold 1/3½ to 1/5½, broken ditto 1/1 to 1/8½, inferior 8½d. to 10½d., Pekoe Souchong 1/1½ to 1/5½, orange Pekoe 1/2½ to 1/7 and broken ditto 1/2½ to 1/9½ per lb. in bond. OILS—Linseed active and firmer; spot 51/-, March-April 50/9, May-Aug. sold 51/-. Cotton easier; crude Egyptian spot 46/6, Bombay 43/6, common edible 50/6. Turpentine quieter, American spot 66/3 and Feb.-April 66/9 per cwt. OILSEEDS—Linseed firmer, with good inquiry; Calcutta Jan.-Feb. sellers £25 5/-, April-May sold £24 10/-, Plate Jan.-Feb. to Hull done £23 to £23 2/6, Feb.-March and March-April £23 3/9. Rapeseed dull; Toria afloat to Continent sellers £20 17/6, March-April £19 15/-. Cottonseed flat; Egyptian black Feb. to Hull quoted £12 17/6, white £12 10/-, and Bombay Feb.-March £10 5/- per ton.

CLYDE CRUSHED SUGAR.—Supplies of fine sugars at present very limited, and anything available finds ready buyers at full to rather dearer prices. American advices are again higher.

MISCELLANEOUS.

BRADFORD WOOL.—Although wool is selling rather more freely business at Bradford has not been stimulated. There is not really sufficient activity to test Merinos. Current needs are satisfied by cheap lots, picked up from dealers at less than the rates that would be accepted by topmakers. Medium and coarse cross-breds firm at late rates.

LIVERPOOL COTTON.—American opening about 12 to 11 points higher on the encouraging overnight New York advices and trade calling, values further advanced later in the morning on local buying, a steady tone ruling at mid-day, with this season's months 17 to 16 points and new season's months about 13 points higher on the day. The upward movement continued in the afternoon. New York opening cables again coming higher, but later advices came weaker and values towards the close eased slightly. The final tendency ruled quiet, but steady, with this season's months showing an advance on the day of 15 to 14 points and next season's months 11 to 12 points. Egyptian offered more freely, and prices declined; this season's months closed about 75 points and next season's months 55 points. Spot American continues quiet; quotations are 14 points higher. Egyptian quiet; quotations of Sakellarides are 25 points and those of upper and brown 10 points lower. East Indian remains unaltered. Brazilian quotations are 14 points higher.

MANCHESTER HAY AND STRAW.—On Produce Exchange—Steady consumptive demand reported for both hay and straw, late rates being well maintained. General quotations—Lincolnshire rye grass and clover £5 15/- to £6, Cheshire £5 5/-, meadow hay £4 15/-; wheat straw 70/-, oat straw 75/- per ton, delivered Manchester.

LONDON METALS MARKET.

RISE IN TIN.

TIN engaged active support and, with firm foreign advices, prices advanced, showing a rise of 30/- to 32/6 per ton on balance as compared with the close of Wednesday last. Cash quoted £265 5/- to £265 10/-, three months £268 5/- to £268 10/-; settlement price £265 5/-. Sales, 900 tons; cash done £265 near dates £265 5/-, three months £269 to £268 to £268 5/-. COPPER market steady, with business on a fairly liberal scale; cash quoted £65 to £65 2/6, three months £66 to £66 2/6; settlement price £65. Sales, 1,750 tons; cash sold £65, three months £66 to £66 2/6. Electros quoted £69 10/- to £70. LEAD lower, while more freely offered. Sales, 1,400 tons; good soft foreign pig Jan. sold £39, Feb. £38 10/-, March £38, April £37 7/6 to £37 10/-, May £37; settlement price £39. SPELTER quiet. Sales 500 tons; Feb. done £37 1/3 to £37 2/6. March £36 13/9, April £36 11/3 to £36 10/- and May £35 7/6 per ton. Settlement price £37 7/6.

GLASGOW IRON AND STEEL.—Roller plates and large section in poor request, especially latter, which feel the effect of lower prices quoted for delivery in Scotland by non-associated English firms. Structural steel shows improved demand. Continental competition less keen. Scotch steel prices unaltered. Demand for pig iron by Scotch steelworkers disappointing. Consumers of foundry iron fairly well covered.

LIVE STOCK PRICES IN DUBLIN.

Average prices per cwt., live-weight, of fat cattle and sheep in Dublin market:

Fat Cattle.

Year.	29th January s. d.	22nd January s. d.	15th January s. d.
1925...	53 0	53 0	53 3
At corresponding dates in previous years.			
1924...	52 3	51 3	50 9
1923...	56 9	55 6	55 0
1920...	85 0	84 0	84 0
1916...	45 9	46 9	46 3
1914...	35 9	36 3	36 9

Fat Sheep.

Year.	29th January s. d.	22nd January s. d.	15th January s. d.
1925...	76 9	70 0	71 3
At corresponding dates in previous years.			
1924...	69 6	64 9	62 6
1923...	77 6	78 0	71 3
1920...	98 3	92 3	92 3
1916...	50 9	49 3	49 0
1914...	43 6	44 3	44 0

STORE CATTLE SALE.

MESSRS. R. AND J. WILKINSON.

There was a better filled catalogue for this week's sale, but unfortunately the weather again took a very inclement turn. However, it did not appear to influence buying to any appreciable extent, as there was a good steady demand throughout, and practically everything sold at very little variation from last week's figures. Polled bullocks were more freely offered, and sold as follows:—£21 10/- (46/-), £20 15/- (47/-), £20 10/- (45/6), £20 (46/6), £19 15/- (49/-), £19 5/- (45/6), £18 15/- (44/-), £18 7/6 (44/6), £18 (46/-), £17 15/- (45/6), £17 (45/6), £16 15/- (44/6), £15 10/- (45/-), £14 10/- (45/-). Angus crosses made top price of £23 10/- (49/-), £21 (52/6), £21 (51/6), £19 15/- (48/-). Heifers did not reach last week's standard in quality, but were in good demand at £19 15/- (51/-), £19 15/- (50/-), £17 5/- (46/6), £15 17/6 (46/-), £15 10/- (48/-), £14 10/- (49/-). There was only a very small show of horned bullocks, which realised £19 (42/-), £18 10/- (46/-), £17 15/- (40/-), £15 10/- (46/-), £15 7/6 (43/6).

Miss Nellie Brown, aged 18, a pupil teacher at Loughton (Essex) Council School, has died from sleepy sickness.

MISSIONS AND THE "YELLOW PERIL."

CALL TO CHRISTIAN CHURCHES.

The Archbishop of Dublin, speaking at the annual meeting of the Dublin Branch of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel yesterday, said that Church people were often ignorant of what was going on outside Ireland, and, therefore, were indifferent to Missions. There was a danger of an overflow from the congested Asiatic lands into sparsely-populated white territory. Christian statesmen were faced with the problem of Christianising the Asiatics before the latter over-ran the world.

PROGRESS OF DUBLIN BRANCH.

The annual meeting of the Dublin, Glendalough and Kildare Branch of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts was held yesterday afternoon in the Molesworth Hall, Dublin.

The Rev. H. K. Woodward, Honorary Secretary, submitted the annual report, which stated that the outstanding feature of the year was the United Missionary Campaign, held last February. While they were not able to gauge the results, they felt sure that the effort had not been made in vain. The Rev. Stacy Waddy, the new Secretary, hoped to visit Dublin next May. A United Church of Ireland Summer School was being planned for June 17-25, inclusive, at Bray. The collections and donations for the united diocese amounted to £3,256 12s. 9d., which included a legacy of £1,309 10s. 10d., the residue of the estate of the late Rev. J. Bewley.

IRISH CHURCH INTEREST.

The Archbishop said that Missionary meetings were a great antidote to the dangers that threatened the Church, and he was glad that the Church of Ireland, small as it was, stood for foreign Missions. That was one of the things that saved it from some of the worst dangers of a small Church in a small land.

What they needed more than anything else was knowledge. The reason for the indifference of Church people to Missions was the utter ignorance of what was going on in the world outside Ireland. People were not quite aware of the appalling situation of things which confronted anybody who took a world view of affairs. The white man was in possession of a great area of the world, but was not filling it. The Asiatics in India and Africa and other places possessed a much smaller globe surface, and they were crammed and congested in these areas.

OVERFLOW OF ASIATICS.

The result was that the Asiatics were beginning to overflow. America, British Columbia, and Australia tried to keep out the Japanese. The position now was: could they contemplate the East overflowing the white man's territory and bringing into it their heathenism? That was really the short way of putting it—the very serious problem which faced the present and future generations.

Were they to bring their religion and backwardness to the white man's land, or were they to be Christianised before they overflowed the world? That was the appalling problem before Christian Statesmen.

At the November meeting of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, Bishop Knight, the Warden of St. Augustine's College, Canterbury, had been deputed to visit Japan and learn from the leaders of the Church there what they wanted, and how could they at home help the Japanese Church.

A 16 YEARS OLD PATRIARCH.

The Patriarch of the East landed in England last Tuesday. This patriarch was only sixteen years of age, and he had come to be trained under the Archbishop of Canterbury at St. Augustine's College, Canterbury.

He inherited his title from his uncle, and at one time his Church extended from Odessa to Pekin and right down to South India. His Church to-day was in a sad state as a result of the Turkish trouble, and during and since the war half his Christian subjects or followers were killed or banished. Now this youthful patriarch had come to learn what they had to teach him, and he asked their prayers for him.

AN INTERNATIONAL COLLEGE.

Miss E. M. Cunningham, of Trinity Hall, Dublin, writes:—

"May I ask the hospitality of your columns in order to draw attention to a venture in practical internationalism which, so far as I know, is unique of its kind, and in which some of your readers may be interested? I refer to the recently established International People's College in Denmark. The aim of the College is to bring together for study and personal intercourse young people from many countries, and thus to promote international understanding and good-will. It was founded in 1921, with a membership of twenty-four students, and its numbers have since risen, until they are now in the neighbourhood of sixty. Over a dozen nationalities have already had representatives at the College. Among these have been several Irish students, and it is hoped that Ireland may be represented there this year also.

"The College is situated on its own farm just outside the historic town of Elsinore, in one of the most beautiful districts of Denmark, and within easy reach of Copenhagen by rail or boat. Lecturers from Copenhagen often visit the College, and it forms a convenient centre for those wishing to study the famous Danish Folk High School and co-operative movements. In Elsinore itself also facilities are given to members of the College for studying the working of the schools, the Co-operative Housing Association, the Old People's Home and the municipal organisations.

"The forthcoming summer session will last from April 20th to July 20th, and the fee for the whole course, including board and residence at the College, will be £17. Besides language classes and courses in phonetics and Esperanto, several series of lectures have been arranged, most of which will be given in English. There will be lectures on Social History, Social Psychology, the World of To-day and the League of Nations, by an Honours graduate in History from Edinburgh University; lectures on Modern France, by Professor Passy, of the Sorbonne; lectures on the literature and life of Scandinavia, England and Germany by lecturers from those countries; and lectures on British co-operation by Professor Hall, of Manchester, and on Danish co-operation by Mr. Folmer Blicker Dam, of the Royal Agricultural College, Copenhagen. These lectures have been arranged in connection with the workers' co-operative unions of Denmark. The Principal of the College, Mr. Mannicka, may already be known to some of your readers, as he visited Dublin last autumn and lectured in the Mansion House, and also addressed a meeting of the Farmers' Union. Further information about the College may be obtained by writing to him at the International People's College, Elsinore, Denmark; and intending students for the summer session should also make application to him without delay."

LONDON WOOL SALES.

Two catalogues were submitted to auction, jointly totalling 9,155 bales, comprising 7,059 bales New South Wales and Queensland, 444 Victorian, 235 South Australian, 402 West Australian, 52 Tasmanian, 761 New Zealand, and 202 Cape. Fair competition prevailed, a good attendance of buyers being present, and medium and coarse cross-breds still claim chief attention from the home trade section. Merinos were fairly well disposed of when suitable for Continental requirements. Withdrawals, however, were again a frequent occurrence.

IRISH FAIRS.

KILMACTHOMAS (CO. WATERFORD).—The monthly fair was held on Tuesday. There was a very large attendance of buyers, and the tone of the fair, generally speaking, was much better than that of the preceding month. The supply of stock in all classes and grades was notable on the plentiful side. Good store pigs were especially sought after, and commanded improved prices. A big clearance was effected all round. Quotations ruled as follow:—Springers—First class £19 to £23; second class £10 to £15. Strippers—First class £12 to £14; second class £9 to £10 10/-. In-calf heifers—First class £14 5/- to £16 10/-; second class £11 to £12 10/-. Two-year-olds—First class £11 10/- to 14 gns.; second class £8 to £9 15/-. Yearlings—First class £7 to £9; second class £4 to £6 15/-. Lambs (under 12 months old)—Long wools 55/- to 75/-, average 60/-. Fat Sheep—Two years old and over, long wools, 72/6 to 105/-, average 90/-; mountain 42/6 to 58/-, average 48/-. Good store pigs averaged £2 5/- each, and stronger sorts ranged from £2 10/- to £3 15/-; bonhams sold at from 30/- to 35/-.

CARLOW.—The Carlow fair on Wednesday attracted a big supply of beef, but the demand was slow and prices showed a lowering tendency in sympathy with the markets across the water. Only the best class of animals (which were unusually scarce) commanded a fair trade, and several lots remained unsold. Prices ranged from 48/- to 50/- for best beef; second class 44/- to 47/- per cwt. There was a small supply of stores, and those suitable for shipping were in keen demand. Prices ranged from £18 to £21 per head. Fat sheep, of which there was a good supply, sold at from 60/- to 80/-. Milch cows £25 to £33, according to quality.

Books of the Week.

THE LE FANU FAMILY.

We have received a beautiful volume, enriched by many finely-printed portraits, on the Le Fanu family. Only 150 copies of the book are for sale. The Le Fanus have held so eminent a position in Irish life since they came to our country two hundred years ago that this book is a work of some historical importance, and we could wish that a larger number of copies were available to students of Irish biography.

The name of Le Fanu appears to be extinct in France, the country of its origin. In Ireland and Great Britain it is confined to the descendants of Thomas Philip Le Fanu, some time Dean of Emly, who died in 1845, and of his first cousin, William Joseph Henry Le Fanu, who was Rector of St. Paul's, Dublin, from 1834 until his death in 1879. The Le Fanu pedigree is traced back to Michel Le Fanu, who took his degree in Arts at the University of Caen in 1536, and was author of a poem of 2,000 lines in Latin hendecasyllabics. His son, Etienne, was a poet in French and Latin, and is said to have published verses in praise of Charles VII. and Joan of Arc in 1613. This Etienne was ennobled by Henry IV. in 1595, and the original *titre de noblesse* then given into his hands was discovered as late as 1911 in use as the cover of a book in the library of a Norman monastery, then recently dissolved.

After the revocation of the Edict of Nantes members of the Le Fanu family, being Huguenots, fled from France; and so the story of the family is traced to Charles Le Fanu de Cresserons, who joined the army of the Prince of Orange and fought at the Boyne. Retiring from the army, this Charles settled in 1710 in a house on the west side of St. Stephen's Green, Dublin. His heirs, who came over from London, carry on the record. During the eighteenth century many Le Fanus were eminent in Church and State in Ireland, and during this period the family made that alliance with the Sheridans to which, perhaps, its great distinction of genius in the nineteenth century must be attributed.

All living Le Fanus are also of Sheridan blood; for they are all descendants of Dr. Thomas Sheridan, the friend of Dean Swift. There is a suggestion that the doctor was a kinsman of the non-juring Bishop of Kilmore and of one of the seven men of Moidart; but Jacobite connections were no aid to promotion, and valid evidence appears to have been suppressed. Dr. Sheridan was grandfather of Richard Brinsley Sheridan and of Alicia Sheridan, who married Joseph Le Fanu in 1781. Thus we come to Joseph Thomas Sheridan Le Fanu, in whom the mingled blood of two families of genius gave Ireland one of the most distinguished of her writers. In the pages before us his career is well described. His son, Brinsley Le Fanu, is an artist of note in black and white and in water colours. Other scions of the family are named—including William Richard Le Fanu, author of "Seventy Years of Irish Life"—and genealogical tables on linen record the names of all known Le Fanus since the *avocat* of Caen, the progenitor of the family. An appendix, giving a list of works published by the Le Fanus, occupies six pages, and includes works from Michel Le Fanu's Latin verses to books by living writers.

It is, indeed, a proud record that we close as we turn the last page. We welcome the volume, not merely as a record of names and lives that are not deserving of oblivion, but as a contribution to Irish national records. A. B.

"Memoir of the Le Fanu Family." By T. P. Le Fanu. Largely from materials compiled by W. J. H. Le Fanu. Privately printed. London: Bernard Quaritch. £2 2/- net.

A WONDERFUL JOURNEY.

Save for the complication of events by the intervention of the eternal triangle, no Rider Haggard romance ever was so stirring a narrative as Dr. McGovern's true story of his journey to Lhasa disguised as a Tibetan. The author, recognised by Orientals themselves as a distinguished Buddhistic scholar, joined the British Buddhist Mission to Tibet in 1922. The Mission penetrated as far as Gyangtsé, and then was obliged to return to Darjeeling, where the railways end on the brink of mystery. Dr. McGovern resolved to proceed alone. Disguised as a coolie and battling through blizzards and perils and disease, he made his way into the Sacred City itself. Here, with his life in his hands, Dr. McGovern contrived to interview some of the principal men of Tibet and even to secure a meeting with the Dalai Lama. It is a story to rank with the great records of travel; and the many photographs reproduced—often secured at great risk—give Western eyes a glimpse of things hitherto hidden from their wonder.

Trashi-Gigen — meaning "Felicitous Teacher"—was Dr. McGovern's Tibetan secretary. He appears to have been a merry, reckless young man, and he is mentioned throughout the narrative under his pet-name of Satan. With Satan and three other servants Dr. McGovern made his great adventure. He posed as a Sikkimese coolie, relying on the difference between the Sikkimese dialect and manners from those of the pure Tibetans to cover any suspicious lapse from correct Tibetan behaviour. The only food carried on the journey, as a relief to Dr. McGovern's Western palate from the native food, was three tins of Quaker oats and five pounds of sugar. Materials for disguise apart from native garb, included hair-dye, a mixture of iodine and walnut-juice to stain the skin, dark goggles, two lemons and a small bottle of glue with which to stain the eyes. In order to mislead the native spies a false start was made, and a little frequented route was taken. Terrible hardships befell the travellers in the passes, amid snowstorms and windstorms. The Tibetan windstorm battered down the tent when the four travellers were eating raw meat, and they had to lie in one tight heap with the canvas beating on their heads. Finally, the whole mass of men and impedimenta was swept off the rock and hurled into the snow beyond. Satan then remembered that he had been brought up as a Tibetan priest, and began barbaric invocations. When the storm fell the servants prepared to return to Sikkim, but during the night a snow-leopard hail passed, and his foot-prints in the snow served both to indicate the line of the hidden road and to persuade the servants that the blessed Buddhas and Bodhisattvas had sent a miraculous guide.

At a height of 18,000 feet above sea level, the travellers turned amid the snowy Himalayan peaks to take their last look on India. Then they faced into the Forbidden Land. On the Tibetan plains Dr. McGovern passed many a perilous moment. In Tibetan, as in other Mongolian tongues, the same word may have different meanings accordingly as it is uttered with a rising or falling intonation. Yet, posing as "a dull stupid, vacant-minded peasant to whom any great conversational effort was a serious mental strain," Dr. McGovern managed to pass conversation with Tibetan shepherds without awakening suspicion. He was obliged to go unwashed, and declares that what began as a hardship came ultimately to be gratifying. A Tibetan story, told to prove that washing brings bad luck, goes thus: A young woman who thought she knew better than her elders, insisted on washing herself. The heavenly Buddhas and Bodhisattvas were displeased with her presumption and sent her an attack of pneumonia from which she died. The Tibetans say: "The Tibetan is black outside, but white inside, and the foreigner is white outside but black inside." Satan, during a whimsical moment, insisted on changing headgear with his supposed servant. Dr. McGovern had been wearing a cap with fur flaps which served to mask his features. Satan's cap had no flaps, and Dr. McGovern, remarking that there is much of the ostrich in man, says that he had felt safe while his face was covered.

The photographs of Lhasa, strangely dignified in its sloping lines—an Oriental acropolis—lifted on its rocky site above the plain, and framed by distant mountains, stir the imagination. The travellers reached the city on February 15th, the last day of the Tibetan year, when hosts of monks had gathered for the three weeks of religious pageants and ceremonies with which the Tibetan New Year is greeted. Five times the normal population of 20,000 had swarmed in, and it was exceedingly difficult to find a hiding place. To crown the author's troubles, two of his servants were lost in the crowd.

Dr. McGovern says that he had intended to reveal himself when he got to Lhasa, partly in order to show the Lhasa Government that its efforts to frustrate him had failed, and partly to secure evidence of his achievement. He knew that the Tibetan authorities would be too much afraid of the British Government to injure him; but he knew that, if he were discovered by the irresponsible mob, he would get short shrift. He feared that the lost servants would betray him—but betrayal came from a dog. He had secured shelter in a house in Lhasa, and his host's pet dog detected, by smell, something strange in the visitors. Barking savagely at Dr. McGovern, the little creature obliged him to reveal himself. He resolved on confession to his host; and, to his amazement, he found that the man in whom he confided was no other than the Tibetan official entrusted with the duty of watching out for his expedition in order to turn it back.

Seldom in fiction has a more startling situation been devised; but adventures were to be piled on adventures in what followed. We cannot even summarise further—nor need we; for every reader who can be fascinated by a modern Marco Polo or Livingstone will seek the volume itself.

"To Lhasa in Disguise." By William Montgomery McGovern, Ph.D. (Oxon). London: Thornton Butterworth. 21/- net.

AIRCRAFT IN WAR.

Hitherto Ireland has not played a prominent part in the development of aircraft, either in war or peace; and, happily for their night's rest, the people of our cities during the European War escaped the experience of bombardment by enemy machines. Whether or not this luck will continue remains to be seen; at all events, the fact is generally acknowledged that aircraft has come to stay and will assuredly play a part, and a large part, in the next European war. In "Air Power and War Rights" Mr. Spaight, who is a distinguished graduate of Dublin University, discusses the whole problem of aerial warfare and civilisation in a bold and fascinating manner.

It is certain that in the next war attacks upon the unarmed civil population will play a larger and more prominent part than ever before, and that these attacks will come mainly from aircraft, the object being, in the words of Marshal Foch, the "crushing moral effect upon a nation." Even soldiers in the late war spoke of the feeling of utter helplessness inspired by an aerial bombardment, and what must have been the profound effect upon the unarmed civilian when a fleet of hostile aeroplanes was dropping bombs? Mr. Spaight bases a feeling of hopefulness upon the very "terribleness" of the aircraft attack. He thinks that war, as we saw it on the Western and other fronts, is at an end. He believes that war will not again see the great, massed, entrenched armies playing out what promised to be an interminable game of "stalemate" in a quagmire of mud and blood. "Mass slaughter," says Mr. Spaight, "as an international incident lies buried, one hopes, in the war cemeteries of France and Flanders."

When he proceeds to speculate on what may happen when next some over-ambitious emperor or war lord "sees red" he may not be on as sure, though he is on a more fascinating, ground. In defending civilisation from the scourge of aerial warfare, Mr. Spaight discusses the legal aspect of the problem and the restrictions which should be imposed upon belligerents. One lesson that the European War brought painfully home to Ireland, in the sinking by submarines of the Lusitania, the Leinster and other ships, was the grotesque weakness of the "laws" of warfare. Modern warfare means the suspension of all law and civilisation, and it would certainly seem as though the best—and probably the only—hope for humanity lay in the making of all war not only illegal, but impossible. To judge by the accumulating volume of literature upon the subject of warfare—and particularly aerial warfare—such a development appears to be as remote as though the "war to end all wars" had never been fought. Mr. Spaight bases his principal hope upon the awful character of the problem which he tackles. The Irish Free State reposes its confidence rather upon the League of Nations, of which it is one of the youngest and most enthusiastic members. One critic of Mr. Spaight's book suggests that the populations of big cities are not so absolutely at the mercy of hostile aircraft as he appears to think—that the cities can use clouds of poison gas wholesale and that "no squadron of aircraft could face such a defence."

Mr. Spaight's proposed solution is in the nature of a compromise; for while he does not seek entirely to prohibit bombardment of cities by aircraft, he would limit those bombardments so as to prevent wholesale slaughter of civilians. The German submarine captains sought to make, and did make, the destruction of civilian life as heavy as possible in the cases of the Leinster and the Lusitania. Will not the commanders of hostile aircraft have a like aim in the next war? Terror, destruction and death are the objects of modern warfare, and, unless and until a more powerful international court than has ever previously existed controls the combatants, these combatants will stop at nothing in their effort to achieve the elusive shadow of world domination. Matters are at present at an interesting stage of transition, and Mr. Spaight's volume will constitute by no means the least important contribution to the shaping of an instructed public opinion.

"Air Power and War Rights." By J. M. Spaight. London: Longmans. 25/- net.

NEW POETRY.

Mr. A. C. Benson is more widely known by reason of his "Thread of Gold" and "House of Quiet" than by his poetry; yet in his "Selected Poems"—for the most part an anthology of what he has previously published—one finds the same meditative quality, the same delicacy of expression, the same quietude of faith which give the note of cloistered dignity to his prose works. They are a reflection of the spirit that dwells within the older universities and betray their author's habitation. The philosophy of the flower, of things that strive not nor cry, of winds and clouds—this is what he grasps; and because he deals with elemental things, the poet, aided by that indefinable asset, culture, produces thoughts that live and words that burn. Even a writer like Mr. Benson, for all his tenderness, can write a sonnet tense with the breathlessness of pursuer and pursued, or lyrics where man's struggle with fate and battle with life become a rapturous song. There must be few poetry lovers who have not revelled in the colour and richness of his poem to the Phœnix beginning—

By feathers green, across Casbeen,
The pilgrims track the Phœnix flown,
By gems he strewed in waste and wood
And jewelled plumes at random thrown.

His sonnet to Keats, especially the closing lines, shows his qualities at the highest, not far below the poet whom he celebrates—even though here, as in other places, his ideas and, at times, his words have in them fragrant reminiscences of the works of brother-poets whom we have all treasured in our memories.

"Selected Poems." By A. C. Benson. London: Lane. 6/- net.

SOUTH AMERICAN WATERS.

Mr. Coffey remembers the Thursday evening of October 29th, 1914, when he saw Admiral von Spee sail triumphant in the Scharnhorst to Valparaiso. As the Gneisenau, the Nurnberg and the Prince Eitel Friedrich followed their flagship straight from the victory at Santa Maria, the German guns rang out in salute to Chili, soon to be followed by the boom of the forts firing in reply. A photograph shows von Spee as he came ashore in his hour of triumph, so soon to be followed by Falkland and a defeat where failing fortunes, bravely faced, won death and honour alike from friend and foe. In these latitudes the German sailor showed up well, and the chivalrous treatment of English crews captured by hostile ships should be spoken of by all who hope for better things in Europe. The Chilian battleships which lie here in the bay bear the names O'Higgins, O'Brien and Lynch—*quae caret ora cruore nostro?* In the city the principal square is the *Plaza O'Higgins*, called after O'Higgins, love-child of a Spanish governor, and later conqueror of old Spain's political dominion in this erstwhile colony. Up along to Rio de Janeiro, the power of the Spanish colonist is felt. The native is absorbed. He increases in numbers, breaks with his native creed, speaks Spanish and inter-marries with the master race. By now a new race has been evolved, freed politically from Spain, intellectually her conquest.

"In South American Waters." By Thomas Coffey. Dublin: Gill. 2/6 net.

SUNNY GARDENS.

Mrs. Martineau's book is chiefly a description of some of the more exotic gardens in the Riviera, California and Australia. She writes for the rich and favoured ones who own attractive estates in these delightful regions. Some of the photographs show a wonderful beauty. The terraced Villa Rosemary, overlooking the sea at Cap Ferrat, is a tribute both to designer and owner. Serene walks, rare shrubs, geometrical designs, relieved from harshness through an instinct for catering to a taste for a refined ease, characterise this exquisite achievement. Much of this work deals with the garden laid out at Cannes by the late Lord Brougham. Mrs. Martineau has given care and thought to her book, compares the methods of the English and French gardener, tells of their comparative capacity for work and duty, notes the temperature necessary for different flowers, and classifies them at the end. In addition, a vocabulary is provided in French and English of words useful to the horticulturist who can afford to interest himself in what must always be the hobby of the wealthy and the monopoly of the milder clime.

"Gardening in Sunny Lands." By Mrs. Philip Martineau. London: Cobden-Sanderson. 15/- net.

HISTORY IN IRISH.

These simple historical sketches begin with Cormac MacAirt and end with Daniel O'Connell. They will be useful for the teaching of elementary history through the medium of easy Irish. The form is brief description of the lives and characters of "great men of Ireland," and teachers will find the concise and practical character of the little volume suitable and time-saving for class-work.

"Fir Mhora na hEireann." Eamonn MacLoingsigh, B.A., agus Aindreas O Baoghill a sgriobh. Preas Dun Dealgan. 1/6 net.

RECENT FICTION

Mr. Torry, whose first novel this is, adopts the custom of writing a prologue. We conceive a dislike immediately of the massive Dutchman, Jan Van Rhun. Although nothing is known for certain, an offensive miasma, so to speak, is felt to encircle his honour, and at times his puzzling behaviour seems to hint at a former irremissible sin. The charming Nancie Faversham's infatuation with the foreigner is beyond understanding. Indeed, the attempt to show her short-lived maintenance of the illusion is distinctly strained. Her marriage is contrary to the wishes of her hapless mother, who by no means is deceived. Athole Murray had been the unrequited lover of Nancie, and he determines to follow her to South Africa in order, should it prove necessary, to afford her protection. Conventional in outline, the description of the siege of the *boerewoning* is strikingly vivid. An intelligent reader, we fear, will divine beforehand the identity of the white god of the Matabele. The author's insight into human nature is expressed in many poignant epigrams. As the title would indicate, a spirit of fatalism moulds the narrative, and is responsible for some improbabilities. The literary merit is unusual.

"The Finger Writes." By E. Norman Torry. T. Fisher Unwin. 7/6 net.

Miss Mannin is a novelist who may yet challenge comparison with Shiela Kaye Smith, though as yet her output is limited and her themes restricted. She brings, however, the same insight to bear on the mentality of village fisher-folk in Southern England which the author of "Joanna Godden" brings to that of the farming classes, and her methods are not dissimilar. Jan Anderson is a rough fisherman, who is at times vaguely conscious of strange stirrings within him. He is unable to define them, but he finds in his friendship with Mary Simley an outlet for his latent and ill-understood æsthetic sensibilities. To Miss Mannin the interest of the story is as nothing compared with that of the characters, but she traces the growth of self realisation in Jan Anderson's mind with a skill which is all-absorbing to the reader.

"Hunger of the Sea." By Ethel E. Mannin. Jarrolds. 7/6 net.

"Cobweb Palace," one of Messrs. Harrap's prize novels, is a pretty story of a girl who became an actress, and met a fascinating peer, but remained faithful to a childish friendship, and was eventually rewarded by meeting Lionel Cleere again, after five years of silence. Stella is a natural and unaffected heroine, who must inevitably attract the reader. Although the plot is slender and the incidents lack originality, the story has a romantic charm and a genuine aroma of youth. The title—drawn from the lines

"Youth is a palace of cobweb
Torn by the winds of time"—

admirably suggests the prevailing spirit of this book.

"Cobweb Palace." By Rosamund Nugent. Harrap. 7/6 net.

Mr. Forester's "Piper" is a gentleman tramp whom the *wanderlust* has driven all over the world. He fought in the Turkish Army at Gallipoli, was a prisoner in Damascus, and a soldier later in the Foreign Legion on the French front. He wrote a novel, and sang in the streets of London to get the wherewithall to have it typed, and when we meet him first he is perfecting himself in the art of selling toys. Such a man should have rare stories to tell, and such was the opinion of Sir William Sydenham, a grass widower in need of companionship. During his wife's absence Sydenham has his piper nightly to dine, and is repaid by an excellent yarn.

"The Paid Piper." By C. S. Forester. Methuen. 7/6 net.

"A Gipsy of the North" is a good story, full of incident and romance. The Wild West has still innumerable adherents, and Mr. Otwell Binns places his story in picturesque surroundings and introduces plenty of wildness both in character and action. Roy Carwyke is a prospector visiting an Eskimo encampment, and his discovery that a white girl, shrouded in mystery, is living with the Eskimos leads to a dramatic sequel. Roy is not allowed to play the rescuer unaided; for other white men are also on the track of the heroine. Yet, in spite of difficulties and misunderstandings, in the end he claims her for his own.

"A Gipsy of the North." By Otwell Binns. Ward, Lock. 7/6 net.

DUBLIN MERCANTILE ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the Committee of the Dublin Mercantile Association was held yesterday. Correspondence was considered and representations made to the Ministry of Justice in reference to reform in the bankruptcy law. A vote of condolence with the widow of the late Mr. J. Rose Byrne was passed. Mr. Byrne acted as solicitor in the High Courts for the Association for forty years.

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PUBLICATIONS RECEIVED.

THE WEEK'S BOOKS AT A GLANCE

ART.

The Later Ceramic Wares of China. By R. L. Hobson. London: Benn. £5 5/- net.
[Uniform with A. L. Hetherington's "Early Ceramic Wares of China" and Mr. Hobson's own "Wares of the Ming Dynasty." Mr. Hobson is keeper of the Department of Ceramics and Ethnography at the British Museum.]

ANNUALS.

The Queen's University of Belfast Calendar for 1924-25. Belfast: Mayne, Boyd. 2/- net.
Willing's Press Guide, 1925. London: James Willing, Ltd. 2/6 net.

BIOGRAPHY.

Huguenot Pedigrees. By Charles E. Last, F.R.H.S. Vol. I. London: St. Catherine's Press. 10/6 net.
["It is not the Editor's object to produce complete pedigrees to date in every case, but to present the testimony of unpublished and perishable manuscript sources. . . . A short one of only four or five generations is often as interesting as one of double that number, provided it bridges the gap between the family in France and in England, Holland and America."]
Life and Letters of George Wyndham. By J. W. Mackail and George Wyndham. London: Hutchinson. Two Vols. 42/- net.
[Mr. Wyndham's life covered the period 1863-1913, and he is described as statesman, soldier, sportsman, poet and essayist in this biography written by his brother and Professor Mackail, biographer of William Morris.]
The Earl Bishop: The Life of Frederick Hervey, Bishop of Derry, Earl of Bristol. By William S. Childe-Pemberton. London: Hurst and Blackett. Two Vols. 42/- net.
[Hervey (1730-1803), as Bishop of Derry, played a famous part in Irish politics in the eighteenth century. He succeeded his brother as fourth Earl of Bristol. A noted wit and a patron of art, he shone in society; and the present work which is well illustrated, and contains hitherto unpublished letters, is rich in historical interest.]
A Sheaf of Memories. By Frank Scudamore. London: T. Fisher Unwin. 15/- net.
[The doyen of war correspondents went to Turkey in 1875, and his recollections cover Arabi Pasha's campaign, adventures at Erzeroum, the Cretan outbreak, the Greco-Turkish war, Wilhelm's visit to the Sultan, and other historic episodes in the Near East.]
Through the Shadows with O. Henry. By Al. Jennings. London: Duckworth. 6/- net.
[The author, son of a Confederate colonel, was born in Virginia in 1863, during his mother's flight from the Union troops. He led an adventurous life in and out of prison, and shared these vicissitudes with William Sydney Porter, famous under the pen-name of "O. Henry."]

FICTION.

The Gay Intrigue. By Jack Kahane. Grant Richards. 7/6 net.
The Invisible Net. By J. J. Bell. **In the Toils.** By Paul Trent. **Storm.** By Halliwell Sutcliffe. **Burnt Bridges.** By Temple Lane. Long. 7/6 net apiece.
The Long Way Round. By Michael Maurice. **The Round-Up.** By Oscar J. Friend. T. Fisher Unwin. 7/6 net each.
The Starkenden Quest. By Gilbert Collins. Duckworth. 7/6 net.
Beau Geste. By Captain P. C. Wren. Murray. 7/6 net.
The Wild Man. By George Blake. Grant Richards. 7/6 net.
The Brute. By W. Douglas Newton. Appleton. 7/6 net.
Life—and Erica. By Gilbert Frankau. **Quornado.** By William West Winter. Hutchinson. 7/6 net each.
Nancy's Heart. By H. R. D. May. **Paul Maisie.** By C. Holmes Cantley. Selwyn and Blount. 7/6 net each.
The Doom Dealer. By Robert Orr Chipperfield. Hurst and Blackett. 7/6 net.
The Luck of Udaipur. By J. Inman Emery. Jarrolds. 7/6 net.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Double-pack Patience: Selected Games. By Basil Dalton, M.A. London: Grant Richards. 9d. net.
Flowering Trees and Shrubs. By A. J. Macself. London: Thornton Butterworth. 6/- net.
[A volume in the Home Garden Series, in which expert writers give practical advice to amateurs and others; excellently arranged and well illustrated.]
Masters of Music: A Book for Lovers of Music. By Sydney Grew. London: Foulis. 6/- net.
["Some knowledge of the personality of a composer is almost essential for a satisfactory understanding and appreciation of his work," says Granville Bantock, in a preface to these biographical essays, illustrated by portraits, on famous composers. "Mr. Sydney Grew is a reliable guide to the young student who desires a helpful introduction to the lives and works of the great masters of music."]
Prosperity and Politics. By Sir Ernest J. P. Benn. **The Menace of Socialism and How to Meet It.** By W. W. Paine. London: Jarrolds. 1/- net each.

NEW EDITIONS.

The Tenth Step. By B. H. Maxwell. **The Mystery of a Hansom Cab.** By Fergus Hume. **Blake the Butler.** By William Le Queux. **Steve Yeager.** By Macleod Raine. London: Jarrolds. 2/- net.
Pongo and the Bull. By Hilaire Belloc. **Gudrid the Fair.** By Maurice Hewlett. **Desire.** By Una L. Silberrad. **William Jordan, Junior.** By J. C. Snaith. London: Long. 2/6 net apiece.
Ballygullion. By Lynn Doyle. Dublin: Maunsel and Roberts. 2/6 net.

POETRY.

The Grove and Other Poems. By John Freeman. London: Selwyn and Blount. 5/- net.

ADELAIDE HOSPITAL.

The Board of Management of the Adelaide Hospital met on Tuesday, 27th January, 1925, Dr. Bewley presiding. Also present:—A. C. Aykroyd, Mrs. Louis Bewley, T. W. Bewley, A. D. Delap, Miss Fry, J. Garvey, D. Goodbody, L. G. Gunn, M.D.; Rev. R. K. Hanna, W. Hogg, S. H. Law, M.D.; Mrs. S. H. Law, W. Nesbitt, C. Pim, H. B. Pollock, D.S.O.; S. G. Slator, J. A. Weir, and E. White.

Resolved:—

"That the Board of Management of the Adelaide Hospital have heard with deep regret of the death of Serjeant Hanna's youngest daughter. They desire to express their sincere sympathy with Serjeant and Mrs. Hanna and the members of their family in this great sorrow.

The usual routine business was transacted, and cheques amounting to £1,781 6s. 7d. were signed in payment of accounts, leaving £1,853 4s. 6d. due to the Bank.

The report of the House Committee showed 137 patients in the hospital and 18 in the Convalescent Home.

The following resolution was unanimously passed:—

"That the Board of Management of the Adelaide Hospital have heard with very great pleasure that Pound Day has brought in £1,157 in money and 2½ tons of provisions. They desire to convey to Miss Hill their very warm congratulations on the splendid success of Pound Day, and to express their thanks to her for her energy and the trouble she has taken; and they feel very grateful to the Sisters, Nurses, patients and others for their work in connection with it. They also desire to convey their best thanks to the friends of the hospital who have so very generously responded to the Matron's appeal, and whose liberality has so much helped their work."

CIVIL BILL OFFICER ROBBED.

Patrick Kelly, a civil bill officer, of Waterville, was "held up" and assaulted by masked men while serving legal documents for the recovery of arrears of rent. The raiders took away all his documents.

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NATIONAL BANK MEETING.

FEATURES OF THE HALF-YEAR.

GENEROUS GRANT IN RELIEF OF DISTRESS.

Mr. J. B. Meers, C.B., Chairman, presided at the annual general meeting of the proprietors of the National Bank, held yesterday at the bank's premises, Old Broad street, London, and the other directors present were—Lord MacDonnell of Swinford, Mr. J. M. Cooke, Sir W. J. Goulding, Mr. C. F. Higginson, Mr. R. J. Kelly, K.C.; the Earl of Kenmare, Mr. T. P. Morrissey, Mr. J. J. O'Connell, and Sir John R. O'Connell.

The Chairman said:—Ladies and Gentlemen, I have the pleasure to present for your approval the Report of the Directors and the Accounts for the half-year ended 31st December, which I have no doubt you will allow me to take as read.

STRONG POSITION OF THE BANK.

It is gratifying to your Directors to be in a position to place before you a record of the transactions of the Bank over the past half-year, which I am confident will be satisfactory to you as disclosing a strong position and exhibiting prosperity. As regards the six months under review, there is little of a sensational nature to report to you. The monetary conditions have, on the whole, been favourable to bankers, and the rates for short loans have been, on the average, higher than those prevailing for the previous twelve months.

TRADE IMPROVING.

There are indications, although not at present very pronounced, of an improvement in trade, and we are all feeling confident that we have seen the worst, and are looking forward to the current year with great expectations. The return of the £ to pre-war value—thus pointing the way to a resumption of the gold standard—must, of necessity, give a great impetus to all trades. If, in addition to this, labour will assist, by ensuring on their part a greater output and efficiency for the wages paid, the country might well return to the same prosperous condition that it occupied before the war.

As announced in the balance sheet, your Directors have acquired the well-known freehold premises, 16-20 Charing Cross—recently occupied by Messrs. Cox and Co., Bankers. These premises are almost next door to our present Charing Cross branch, and will give us the opportunity of expanding our business at that branch, for which our present premises are wholly inadequate. It will also enable us to close our branch at the lower end of Regent street, which was opened solely for the purpose of relieving the pressure at our Charing Cross branch. The newly-acquired premises have a frontage of over seventy-three feet, and, when the necessary alterations have been completed, the bank will possess West End banking accommodation second to none.

BANKS AT CATTLE MARKETS.

The report also draws attention to the purchase made by your Directors of the premises, goodwill and business of the old-established firm of Messrs. R. Wharton and Son, bank and pay offices, at Salford and Wakefield cattle markets. The representation of the bank in these markets should be of great benefit to many of our clients in Ireland. At Wakefield we have acquired possession of lairages and stalls for cattle with accommodation for three hundred beasts; also well-sheltered grass lands for use in summer. The bank has a qualified cattleman in constant attendance. The Directors trust that their action in this matter will help and foster one of Ireland's great agricultural industries, but I shall be in a better position to deal with this question at our next half-yearly meeting.

THE FUTURE OF IRELAND.

The interests of the bank are, as you know, closely bound up with those of Ireland, and we have an intimate concern in the prosperity of that country. I am an optimist as regards the future of Ireland. It has passed, and, I am afraid, is passing, through a period of unrest, but with its many and great advantages, I feel confident that an era of prosperity will dawn. Like this country, the Irish Free State is suffering from the unprecedented rainfall of last year; but I am informed that, speaking generally, the crops have escaped serious injury, and are better than could have at one time been anticipated.

In Northern Ireland the linen trade has much improved, but shipbuilding shows the decline, which, unfortunately, appears to have been prevalent in this country also during the past year.

One of the assured means of developing any country is to encourage, by every means possible, the habit of thrift amongst all classes. The National Bank was one of the first, if not the first, to encourage small savings. Our scheme, established about twenty-five years ago, if receiving on thrift deposit account sums of one shilling and upwards, and allowing current deposit rates thereon, has proved very successful and of great benefit to the poorer class of our customers.

THE BANK'S FIGURES.

I now turn to the balance sheet. The "reserve fund" stands at £1,200,000, and, by the addition of £25,000 out of the half-year's profits, we raise it to £1,225,000. In 1915 this fund amounted to £500,000, and its increase to the present figures must naturally be a source of considerable satisfaction. As compared with this time twelve months ago, "notes in circulation" have gone up by over £656,000. Most banking institutions—and we are no exception—have experienced a decrease in "deposits." Our figures show a drop of about £200,000 on the past six months, and approximately £1,000,000 as compared with twelve months ago. This is, of course, exclusive of the large temporary deposit account of £895,400, which—because of its short tenure—we thought it better to show separately in our balance sheet. I am inclined to think that the decrease shown, though small, is due rather to the present requirements of depositors than to trade expansion.

Turn now to the "assets" side. We have in the first item, "cash on hand," £4,642,141—an increase of £92,733. The next item, "money at call," £3,613,336, shows a decrease of about £730,000 on the year, but an increase of over £170,000 on the June balance sheet figures. "Government securities" show an increase on the year of £632,000, and "corporation stocks" a fall of approximately £70,000. "Advances on securities," at £16,285,393, show a decrease of about £268,000, accounted for, of course, by trade conditions. "Bills discounted," £2,580,343, are practically at the same figure.

Summarising the totals, it will be seen that our aggregate means stand at almost 46½ million pounds, while our liquid assets give a proportion of 60 per cent. as against our liabilities to the public, payable on demand.

I submit, ladies and gentlemen, that the deductions to be drawn from the figures which I have placed before you point to a very healthy record.

THE DIVIDEND.

On reference to the profit and loss account, you will find we pay a dividend of 14 per cent., less British income tax provisionally fixed at 3s. 2d. in the £. We transfer £25,000 to the "reserve fund"; £25,000 in reduction of "bank premises" account; £40,000 to "income tax and contingencies" account, and we carry forward £29,539. On the whole, I venture to think that we may congratulate ourselves upon the result of the operations of the bank for the past half-year. I look forward to the future with confidence, and I have every reason to think that our position and our earning capacity will be fully maintained in the future.

2,000 GUINEAS TO RELIEVE DISTRESS.

At the yearly and half-yearly meetings of the Irish banks, which have been held during the past few days, references have been made to the distress which is, unfortunately, prevalent in the West of Ireland by reason of the partial failure of the potato crop, and the impossibility of saving turf, which has left the poorer people without fuel. The National Bank, as you are aware, has a large number of branches and a strong connection in the districts affected. Moreover, the policy of the bank is well-known, and it has never been backward in a cause of this kind. We, therefore, propose, with the sanction of the shareholders, which, I am sure, will be readily granted, to vote a sum of two thousand guineas for the purpose mentioned. I am further certain that the shareholders will leave it to the directors, who are well-acquainted with the position as to how the amount should be distributed. (Applause.)

I wish again to thank our staff for the faithful services rendered by them to the bank, and I am confident that I voice your sentiments when I say how much my colleagues and I appreciate the loyal devotion shown to the bank by our officials of every grade. The economic conditions ruling have made efficiency in banking imperative, and it is a source of gratification to us that the staff are seconding our efforts in helping to place the National Bank in the front line of institutions, where the public can rely on their needs being dealt with in a satisfactory and capable manner. It is pleasing to be able to record that the number of our clients continues to increase, and that our new departments—income tax, executor and trustee, and foreign exchange—show expansion. (Applause.)

It now only remains for me to move the adoption of the report and statement of accounts, which I will ask the Deputy Chairman, Lord MacDonnell, to be kind enough to second. Before putting the resolution formally, I shall be glad to reply to any enquiries made to me.

Lord MacDonnell seconded the motion, which was agreed to.

On the motion of the Chairman, seconded by Mr. T. P. Morrissey, Lord MacDonnell, Sir T. Grattan Esmonde, and the Earl of Kenmare, the retiring directors, were re-elected. The outgoing auditors, Mr. C. Fox, Mr. D. MacDonald, and Mr. T. Geoghegan, were also re-appointed, and the proceedings closed with a cordial vote of thanks to the Chairman and directors.

SIR HARRY GOSCHEN AND THE GOLD STANDARD.

Presiding at the meeting of the National Provincial Bank in London yesterday, Sir Harry Goschen, K.B.E., said:—I do not propose, except very briefly, to refer to the question of the return to the full gold standard by this country. I see no reason to dissent from the views expressed by the Currency Commission on this question in 1918. There can, I think, be no doubt—and I believe my opinion is shared by the majority of people in this country—that the return to the gold standard and to a free gold market is most desirable in the best interests of all concerned. With a restoration of the gold standard and a free market in gold, as prevailed in pre-war times, the position of our merchants and manufacturers would be greatly simplified in purchasing raw material and other commodities. During post-war currency conditions they have been embarrassed, not only with price movements, but also with uncertain exchange movements. With the re-establishment of a gold standard the pound sterling will again possess a stable value. There is nothing which does more harm to international trade than uncertainty as to the amount which traders have to pay for commodities when the date of settlement arrives. It is true that this difficulty has been minimised to some extent by forward transactions in foreign exchange, but, notwithstanding facilities which bankers have been able to offer their customers in this way, losses and considerable inconvenience have frequently been inevitable.

I should at the present moment be sorry to embarrass those with whom the decision must rest by expressing an opinion, without full knowledge of all circumstances incidental to the case, as to the exact date when we should revert to our pre-war basis. I trust, however, that the change will be made as soon as it is felt that we are strong enough permanently to re-open our gold market, without having to protect our stock of gold by such high rates for money as would hamper our industry and militate against the proper development of our commercial interests both at home and abroad.

BANK OF ENGLAND RETURN

Most of the movements in this week's Bank return are moderate in extent, the principal being a drop of nearly £1,300,000 in the "Other Securities" and an increase of £824,000 in the Government Securities. The reserve is about £385,000 higher, and the public deposits show an increase of £372,000, with the result that, in face of the considerable decline in the "Other Securities," the private deposits are £264,000 up, now amounting to £107,271,488. The reserve has been raised to £23,863,255, and its proportion to liabilities from 18 1/10 per cent. to 18⅞ per cent. Compared with the corresponding return of a year ago, the reserve shows an increase of fully £2,500,000 and the private deposits one of nearly £2,000,000, while the ratio of reserve to liabilities is nearly 1 per cent. better. On the whole, therefore, the position may be regarded with some satisfaction.

WEEK ENDED 28TH JANUARY, 1925.

ISSUE DEPARTMENT.

Notes Issued	£146,495,740	Govt. Debt	£11,015,100
		Other Securities	8,734,900
		Gold Coin and Bullion	126,745,740
	£146,495,740		£146,495,740

BANKING DEPARTMENT.

Proprietors' Capital	£14,553,000	Government Securities	£50,037,899
Rest	3,511,020	Other Securities	73,990,777
Public deposits	22,550,429	Notes	22,039,400
Other deposits	107,271,488	Gold & Silver Coin	1,823,855
7-day & other Bills	5,994		
	£147,891,931		£147,891,931

Compared with last week:	Increase.	Decrease.
	£	£
Circulation (excluding 7-day and other Bills)	—	386,980
Public Deposits	—	372,179
Other Deposits	264,678	—
Government Securities	824,407	—
Other Securities	—	1,268,750
Bullion	—	2,045
Rest	28,340	—
Reserve	388,460	—

Proportion of Reserve to Liabilities 18⅞% against 18 1/10% last week.

The following shows the position of the Bank of England now and during the previous two years:—

	1925.	1924.	1923.
Circulation (excluding 7-day and other Bills)	£ 124,456,840	£ 126,533,625	£ 122,018,155
Public Deposits	22,550,429	16,249,295	14,000,601
Other Deposits	107,271,488	105,269,535	106,323,608
Govt. Securities	50,037,899	48,422,032	49,419,812
Other Securities	73,990,777	69,882,736	65,608,129
Reserve of Notes & Coin	23,873,256	21,295,372	23,923,705
Coin & Bullion	128,569,595	128,078,997	127,491,860
Reserve to Liabilities	18⅞%	17½%	19⅝%
Bank Rate	4%	4%	3%
Consols	57⅞	56⅞	56
Bar Silver	32⅛d.	33½d.	31⅛d.
Clearinghouse Return	£ 766,102,000	£ 700,158,000	£ 754,746,000

CANAL MYSTERY.

SUSPICIONS OF FOUL PLAY.

In view of information supplied by the police, Dr. J. P. Brennan, yesterday, adjourned the inquest at Rathmines Town Hall on Miss Margaret Fox, of Kinnegad, whose body was recovered last Tuesday from the canal at Charlemont street Bridge, Dublin. The medical evidence showed that the woman received vital head injuries, but the doctor could not say definitely whether these were *ante-mortem* or *post-mortem*.

James Fox, of 2 Chelmsford road, Rathmines, said that his sister, who was 40 years of age, was unmarried. She was employed in a pork butcher's establishment.

Mrs. Mary J. Smyth, 8 Richmond row, said that the dead woman left witness's house, where she had lived for a year, shortly after mid-day on December 30. Witness never saw her again. Miss Fox was in good health, but seemed a little depressed, probably on account of her mother's illness.

Dr. O'Grady, who made the *post-mortem* examination, detailed the injuries found on the body, which was badly decomposed. There were a number of injuries to the head, which would have been sufficient to cause death. He could not be very definite in saying whether the injuries were *ante-mortem* or *post-mortem*. He thought that they were *ante-mortem*.

The inquest adjourned until next Thursday, and it is stated that evidence will then be adduced proving that Miss Fox was the victim of foul play.

WORLD TOUR ON BICYCLES.

Three Indian Scouts, who are cycling round the world, were met at the mail boat at Kingstown by Mr. S. C. Preston, Assistant Divisional Commissioner, Dublin Boy Scouts; Major Pakenham Walsh, Assistant Commissioner for India, who happens to be on leave in this country; Mr. W. M. Carte, Hon Sec., Dublin Boy Scouts' Association, and Mr. E. G. Glenville, District Scoutmaster.

Yesterday the Scouts visited St. Patrick's Cathedral, Guinness's Brewery and the Viceregal Lodge. They had tea with the Governor-General, who put the following message in their autograph book: "God give you health and strength in your great adventure, and send you safely home to your native land." They were present at a Scout display of the 11th City of Dublin, Abbey street Troop, last night. The Scoutmaster welcomed them, and one of the visitors replied. The tourists leave for Queenstown to-day, and thence for New York.

DANCE FROCKS COST LESS.

The coming weeks will witness a continuous round of big dances. For this season Marleen Salons is featuring an exclusive collection of new dance frocks at moderate prices. These are all in the newest styles and shades, and have only just been delivered. During the sale an additional discount of 2/- in the £1 will be allowed. Visit 114 St. Stephen's Green to-day—it will be worth while.—(Advt.).

DUBLIN DISTRICT COURT.

FATAL MOTOR COLLISION.

MR. HEALY'S CHAUFFEUR SENT FOR TRIAL.

(Before Mr. Cooper.)

Patrick Hyland, chauffeur to the Governor-General, was returned for trial, charged with causing the death of John Lambe, a cabman, by carelessness and negligence in the management of a motor car at North Strand road on the morning of the 13th inst.

Charles Dalton, who was in the car driven by the defendant, said that they were driving along the North Strand road from Fairview at about fifteen miles an hour. As they approached Newcomen Bridge the witness saw a hackney cab, which was also travelling towards the city. Both vehicles were on the tram lines in the centre of the road. Hyland turned slightly to the right on nearing the cab, but when they were actually passing it the cab turned unexpectedly towards them, and a collision resulted. The motor car swerved to the left and ran into the wall of the bridge. Lambe was found lying unconscious on the roadway, and was taken to Jervis street Hospital. The witness added that the defendant blew the horn of the motor car when approaching the cab.

The defendant, in evidence, said that he was instructed to drive Colonel Guilfoyle from the Metropole Cinema to Portobello Barracks, and after having done so was on his way home, when he met Charles Dalton and Patrick Griffin, two of his friends, at Capel street Bridge. He gave them a "lift" to Fairview, where he left Griffin. On approaching Newcomen Bridge he observed a cab in front and sounded the horn. He turned to the right, but the cab turned unexpectedly to the right also, with the result that a collision took place. The steering wheel was jerked out of the witness's hand, and when he applied the brakes the car skidded into the wall.

Mr. O'Flaherty (prosecuting)—Had you any authority to drive Griffin and Dalton from Capel street Bridge to Fairview?

The witness—I had not.

Mr. Fitzgerald Kenny, defending, submitted that there was no evidence on which a jury could find that the defendant was guilty of criminal negligence.

Mr. Cooper held that the case was a proper one for investigation by a jury. He sent the case forward and allowed the defendant bail.

ALLEGED WIFE-BEATING.

John Morrisey, 25 years, of Lower Wellington street, was charged with assaulting his wife by kicking her and attempting to choke her. He was allowed out on his own bail to come up for sentence when called upon, and was ordered to keep away from his wife and to pay her 15s. a week.

Henry Nolan, 34 years, of 99 Lower Gardiner street, was sent for trial to the next Circuit Court on a charge of maliciously wounding his wife. He was alleged to have attempted to cut her throat.

CENTRAL CRIMINAL COURT.

JURY DISAGREES.

POST-TRUCE LAWLESSNESS IN SLIGO.

(BEFORE MR. JUSTICE JOHNSTON.)

The jury disagreed in a case in which two young men, named John Gallagher and Michael Woods, pleaded not guilty to wounding John Brennan and causing grievous bodily harm to Denis Fehilly at Mount Edward crossroads about twelve miles from Sligo, on the evening of the 2nd December, 1923. The prisoners were put back.

Mr. W. Carrigan, K.C., and Mr. Dudley White, K.C. (instructed by the Chief State Solicitor), prosecuted; and Mr. Conor Maguire (instructed by Mr. McCormack, Sligo) defended.

Addressing the jury, Mr. Carrigan referred to the state of lawlessness prevailing in County Sligo in 1923. Men who claimed to be the saviours of the nation on both sides observed the truce, but, he said, the men in the dock and others of their type said to themselves that they would not lay down arms as long as it suited their private interests to retain them. They were determined to keep the country "roasting for ever on the gridiron."

The evidence of the witnesses for the State showed that Brennan and Fehilly, with a number of others, were walking along the road near Mount Edward Cross, when three men beat them with sticks. Later they were again attacked, and four or five shots were fired. Patrick Brennan was shot dead and John Brennan was wounded. Denis Fehilly was four months in bed as a result of the beating he received.

Fehilly, cross-examined, admitted that at the inquest on Patrick Brennan he stated that he could not identify any of the men who set upon them. He was afraid to give their names, as Gallagher or Woods, who were then "on the run," might shoot him or beat him again.

The defence was an *alibi*—that the accused were at a dance four or five miles from Mount Edward Cross on the night in question.

"TIME" FOR A CLOCK.

Patrick Maher, a middle-aged man, of no fixed residence, and formerly a railway employé, pleaded guilty to the larceny of a coat and a clock, and was sentenced to six months' imprisonment. He was stated to have stolen the same clock twelve months ago.

DUBLIN CIRCUIT COURT.

ACCOUNTANT'S CLAIM.

H. W. Darling, auditor and accountant, Anglesea street, Dublin, sued Christopher Roche, Clondalkin, Co. Dublin, farmer and horse dealer, to recover £101 18s. 8d., balance of money alleged to be due by the defendant to the plaintiff for work done and professional services rendered by the plaintiff as auditor and accountant, at defendant's request, in adjusting claims of the Inland Revenue authorities for income tax on the profits of defendant's business as horse dealer and farmer in respect of the years 1912-17; also for work done in auditing defendant's accounts down till August, 1922.

Mr. Carson, K.C. (instructed by Messrs. Hayes and Sons), appeared for the plaintiff; and Mr. Matheson (instructed by Mr. Lane Joynt) for the defendant.

The plaintiff alleged that in November, 1916, the defendant agreed to pay him £50 for his work in adjusting the assessments for five years, down to 1917, and that a subsequent agreement was entered into whereby the defendant was to pay him £30 a year in respect of his services from 1917 till March 31st, 1922. The plaintiff alleged that he had saved Mr. Roche hundreds of pounds by way of rebates in his assessments, including a sum of £204 9s. 2d. in respect of the years 1918-19, and £248 9s. 3d. for the years 1919-21. On these sums the plaintiff claimed a 10 per cent. commission, which amounted to £45 5s. 10d. The plaintiff further claimed £19 2s. 10d. for preparing profit and loss accounts in connection with defendant's farms and submitting same to the local Inspector of Taxes.

Replying to Mr. Matheson, the plaintiff said that there was never at any time a specific arrangement as to the fees to be charged, as the volume of work to be done was not known till afterwards. The work which he originally agreed to do was merely in connection with the horse-dealing business. He told Mr. Roche that he would have to be paid an additional fee in respect of the preparation and audit of the farm accounts. The defendant replied that he did not mind paying him his fees so long as he (Mr. Roche) would not have to pay so much income tax.

The defendant was examined and stated that the sums agreed upon were intended to cover the entire work done by the plaintiff. He was quite willing to pay anything that he had agreed to pay Mr. Darling, but the fees agreed upon had been paid.

Cross-examined by Mr. Carson, the defendant said that the income tax authorities were making "very severe" claims upon him at the time that he engaged Mr. Darling, and his profits fell away towards the end of 1918, when the demand for horses ceased.

Miss Roche, the defendant's daughter, having given evidence,

Judge Dromgoole reserved judgment.

LIMERICK STRIKES.

Employés of the Newtownsperry Flour Mills, Limerick, struck work yesterday, following a proposal by the owners to employ boys for "trucking," as is the custom in other mills in the country. Two hundred men are effected.

The strike of sawmills' workers continues, but the dispute between the carters and the Limerick Steamship Company has been settled.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

HOUSING IN DUBLIN.

AN APPEAL FOR HELP.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—At the last meeting of the directors of the Association for the Housing of the Very Poor tenders were considered for the erection of twenty-six three-roomed cottages, with bath and hot and cold water, in John street, off the Coombe. The two lowest tenders were selected, with a preference in favour of one if an item can be reduced to the same level as that of the rest. The result will be that these houses will cost about £520 "all in." The grants by Government and Corporation (£60 each) will reduce the net amount to £400. Messrs. W. and R. Jacob have offered to subscribe £5,000 in shares on condition that they might nominate one of their employés for every £400 subscribed. The Association needs £5,000 more, and, in addition, has a large plot of ground capable of development for many more houses.

Could not some parishes and institutions raise, say, £100 each for this Christian enterprise, to cut at the root of our social evils? Could not other firms subscribe capital like Messrs. Jacob and on similar conditions? Could not liberal hearts, touched by humanity's pain in war-time, who gave large gifts to Red Cross purposes, see that this need is as necessary and urgent for donations?

To ask the public for a big moral enterprise in behalf of the poor will bring from the workers a large response, and I have never failed to get it from them in splendid production. Again, in the case of the very poor, low rents must be charged and a large margin left for inability to pay rent. Donations are essential, and in time, when the undeveloped land is built on, the shares of the Association will become valuable. The directors are unpaid, and include—chairman, Sir J. R. O'Connell; Sir Joseph Downes, Sir Simon Maddock, Messrs. W. Ireland, E. R. McC. Dix, W. Sexton and myself.

I earnestly make this appeal to all who love God and their neighbour, and I give my experience as follows:—I started a £10,700 contract with £1,000 in hand, and God sent the needed money. I started a contract of £20,421 with £3,000 in hand, and God sent the money needed. Last year I started a contract for £36,500, with similar trust in God, and £2,000 in hand, and I believe the money will come; for God has many stewards in this country. But the burden of it is heavy on oneself, and I appeal to God's stewards to respond and put life in our city on a higher plane of Christian service than ever before. All contributions should be sent to the Secretary, Association for the Housing of the Very Poor, 40 Dame street, Dublin.—Yours, etc.,

D. H. HALL.

4 St. Barnabas's Gardens, West road, Dublin, January 29th, 1925.

DUBLIN RECONSTRUCTION.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—In your issue of Tuesday last, dealing with our much advertised, though wholly undealt with, slums, you treat them to the following graphic description: "Long terraces of tall mansions, now crumbling with age and neglect, are lit in all their dirty, curtainless and broken windows with the miserable yellow flicker that tells how families are dwelling in every room. The doorways stand open, and through them passes a ceaseless tide of squalid traffic. Noise, dirt and moral ugliness oppress the beholder." Is not all this an only too accurate description of the decaying thoroughfare it is proposed to crash through into one of the handsomest streets in Europe?

What sort of business establishments are likely to be erected on Gloucester street's proposed extension? The competition for sites in side-streets is rarely very active. In any case, the locality is too far up town, the tendency for years past being one of migration to the central and southern portions of the city, even from Sackville street itself. Instead of affording ready access to a whole net-work of unsavoury areas from our principal street, would it not be preferable to diminish it by closing Findlater's place, thus making the two sides of the thoroughfare correspond at least as far as Cathedral street, the widening of which may, perhaps, be condoned?

For years past proposals have from time to time found expression demanding the construction of new thoroughfares, and the widening of certain existing streets and lanes. Up to the present these ideas have regularly failed to catch on. We now seem to be faced with a real peril, unless our apathetic citizens suddenly display an unlikely amount of activity.

As for the £11,000, why should it not be applied to the removal of the Metal Bridge, and likewise of the mass of rotten timber existing beside the Butt one, and for the restoration of Liffey street to its former and sufficient width, instead of remaining an ugly gap in what might easily be made "our noble line of quays"? The view from O'Connell Bridge, looking Westward, would become reminiscent of the Seine at Paris.—Yours, etc.,

T. GALLOWAY RIGG.

Dublin, January 28th, 1925.

CHILDREN AND CIGARETTES.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—We are hearing about a great deal of distress and poverty in our country. Many are innocent sufferers; but if one inquires into the enormous amount of money spent in Ireland on drink and cigarettes, and considers the bad state of trade and unemployment, one cannot wonder that there must be little left for food, clothing or upkeep of houses, either in town or country. The Dail is much to be commended for endeavouring to reduce the liquor traffic, but nothing has been said or done about the pernicious habit prevailing among all classes of incessant cigarette-smoking.

I have seen children from the ages of even seven or eight, girls and boys, smoking cigarettes on their way to the national schools. What the result of this will be on their little bodies and minds only medical and scientific men can rightly tell; but every thinking man and woman must know that it cannot but be prejudicial to both. I know of one instance of a large family, at present in great poverty. Crops failed, stock died and there is no employment given in the district. The mother said that she used to depend to a great extent on her poultry to pay her weekly bills, but they were now no use, "as the children picked up all the eggs they could get to sell them and buy cigarettes."

Surely something could be done to check the sale of cigarettes to children. Formerly, if a child had a few pence, they would be spent on sweets or biscuits. I can remember when four big sugar-sticks could be bought for a penny—good wholesome sweets, too—no glucose or other deleterious materials then. How little is sold now for a penny! I would like to see the tax taken off sugar and placed on cigarettes. Among the poor money that should be spent on food goes up in smoke; among the well-to-do, besides being waste of money that could be more usefully spent, it is a waste of energy. It is time to inquire into the matter unless we are to rear a "C 3" population, unable to take its place in the world's workshop.—Yours, etc.,

"WELL-WISHER."

Co. Roscommon, January 28th, 1925.

FREE STATE TAXES.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—As a person interested in buying a car—I have been so interested for a year at the loss of £10 to the State—I fail to understand the import tax of 18 %, and, in my case, I cannot afford to add £36 to the price of my car. I do not know how the State's account stands between loss on road tax and gain on import duty, and no one else does; but it is certain that the gain cannot be great, and I believe that 5 % would be equally good by gain in road tax. Of course, if there were a motor industry in Southern Ireland, it might be understandable; but, as it is, the chief result is a loss of pleasure and business to dwellers in the Free State. I, for one, will walk until I have saved my £36—not to spite my face, but because I do not feel that I can afford a more expensive car.

A writer in yesterday's issue tells us to be merry and bright. I am not a pessimist, and I see no reason to doubt the ultimate success of the Free St... I fail to see, however, why we should be expected to say that everything in the garden is lovely, when all the new taxes are merely inconveniences, and when nothing is said by those in authority to show that another form has even their sympathy.—Yours, etc.,

"ROAD TAX SAVED."

Co. Cavan, January 28th, 1925.

THE LUCAN TRAM.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—The letters in the columns of your paper in conection with the closing down of the Lucan tram service, and the County Council's incapacity to maintain the roads are co-related and require serious and immediate consideration. Your contributors have performed a public service in drawing attention to the serious state of affairs, the facts of which appear to be as follows:—

(1) A tramway service long established, maintaining its own track and reasonably meeting the transport requirements of the district, gives way to motor omnibus competition.

(2) The present condition of the road is deplorable, if not dangerous, owing to the fact that it was not constructed to carry a large volume of traffic.

(3) The contribution of the omnibus service as user of the road is inadequate to meet its fair share of maintenance.

(4) The repair of the road is beyond the present resources of the County Council.

(5) The cost of the repairs under the present system of motor taxation must fall on the ratepayer.

To obviate confusion being worse confounded, it would appear that the County Council should, under the provisions of Section 7 (4) of the Roads Act, 1920, immediately make application to the Minister for Local Government to hold a public enquiry for the purpose of deciding whether or not the Lucan highway is suitable for use by motor omnibus vehicles. As regards the unemployed tramway staff, if proper road maintenance is undertaken to meet the omnibus and other vehicular traffic requirements, the work should much more than absorb the dispossessed men; but the general economics of the situation seem to be reduced to an absurdity.—Yours, etc.,

"PIONEER."

Dublin, January 29th, 1925.

DE VERES IN IRELAND.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—Mr. Swift MacNeill's letter on the Irish connection with the Oxford Earldom is interesting to students of heraldry and pedigrees. According to the Visitation of Essex, in 1558, Jane de Vere, daughter of the Earl of Oxford, married Henry Hunt, of Gosford, High Sheriff of Essex. Their eldest son, John de Vere Hunt, was a captain in the Army of Charles I., and by Patent, dated 1667, was granted the estate of Talbotstown, Wicklow. John's son and heir, who was High Commissioner for raising money for the King in County Limerick, sold Talbotstown and settled in Williamstown, in Limerick. He left two sons—John, of Glangoole, near Thurles, and Henry, of Ligadoon, Limerick.

From John, of Glangoole, who lived to the age of one hundred and three, were descended the Hunts of Georgia, U.S.A.; of Cappa, of Millbrook, and Ballysinode, Co. Tipperary, and of Curragh Chase, Co. Limerick. The latter was the residence of the first Baron Hunt. The second Baron, by Royal licence, relinquished the name of Hunt and retained that of de Vere. The title lapsed with the poet and writer, Sir Aubrey de Vere, and the other branches in the direct male line became extinct. The family of Henry, of Ligadoon, was more lasting; for his direct male descendants are still among the county families of Limerick and Tipperary.

Of the direct line, now resident in the old estates, there remain Vere Hunt, of High Park, Cappawhite, and Ardmayle, Cashel; Robert Hunt, of Inchrourke, and Mrs. Hunt, of Friarstown.—Yours, etc.,

"OXFORD."

Co. Tipperary, January 28th, 1925.

FATAL MOTOR ACCIDENT.

JURY AND RECKLESS DRIVING.

The Deputy Coroner for South Kildare (Dr. Jeremiah O'Neill) on Wednesday evening resumed the inquiry into the death of Private Thomas Brannigan, of the National Army, at the Curragh Hospital on the 23rd of January.

Captain Joseph Brannigan identified the body as that of his brother, Thomas Brannigan, who was aged 24, and unmarried.

Dr. William Lehane's evidence showed that Thomas Brannigan was admitted to the Curragh Hospital on the 27th of last December suffering from extensive injuries to the head and fracture of the jaw. The right eye was dislodged from its socket. He died on the 23rd of January from septic meningitis and pneumonia, due primarily to the injuries he had received.

Dr. Fulham, of Balbriggan, stated that at 10.15 on the night of the accident a military tender, with three injured men, one of whom was Thomas Brannigan, came to his door. Having described Brannigan's wounds, he said that he dressed them, and advised that Brannigan should be taken to hospital. The injuries were such as might have been caused by a collision. He did not observe that any of the men was under the influence of drink.

Lieutenant McGuire, of the National Army, stated that on the night of December 24 he drove in a Crossley tender from Gormanstown Camp. Private Mullins was the driver. The car was dimly lighted—one could see about ten yards ahead. He cautioned the driver, more or less as a matter of precaution, before they came to Delvin Bridge.

Mr. Lardner—Am I right in saying that you had to caution Mullins more than once?

Witness—Yes; when we passed Delvin Bridge going towards Balbriggan, for about five hundred yards the driver swerved the car to the right side of the road. He was on his right side and swerved to the wrong side. Witness again cautioned him to be careful, and about a second or two afterwards Brannigan struck the car. Brannigan, witness continued, was on a bicycle, and was on his own side of the road. The bicycle struck the front of the tender, and Brannigan was thrown across the right mudguard. The car travelled about ten yards before it was pulled up. When Brannigan was picked up he did not speak. Witness had him taken to Balbriggan.

The jury found "that Thomas Brannigan died on 23rd January from septic meningitis and broncho-pneumonia, due primarily to injuries and fracture of the bones of the face and skull. We have come to the conclusion that Driver Mullins was the cause of the death of Thomas Brannigan by deliberately swerving his Crossley tender to the right side of the road, thereby knocking down Brannigan. The evidence disclosed at this inquest betrays gross negligence on the part of the officers responsible for the way the Crossley tender was allowed out of barracks with one dim light, and that on the wrong side of the vehicle, in charge of a man who, according to the evidence, was guilty of reckless driving previously. We express our sympathy with the relatives of the deceased, and commend his mother to the consideration of the Free State Government."

COURSING.

BOYNE VALLEY MEETING.

Judge—Mr. P. J. Kennedy. Slipper—D. Egan.

THE FOLLISTOWN STAKE—For 16 puppies, with Dunsany Cup. Winner, £20 and Cup; second, £9; third and fourth, £3 each.

Mr. P. McDonagh's bd. b. Lilac Time (Tip Top VIII.—Lisbunny Star) beat Mr. Wm. McFaden's f. d. Rathlogan Rover (10th Division—Maudes S.).

Mr. C. Meade's bd. d. Footstown (Moore's Melody II.—Molly's Fancy III.) beat Messrs. Mitchell and McManus's bk. b. Maiden Tower (Jamie—Peg The Mill).

Mr. J. J. Keane's bd. d. Hackler's Pride (Whose Boy—Rambling Rose) beat Mr. J. G. McGrath's r. b. Rye Lass (Kaiser II.—Rye River).

Mr. Thomas Coghlan's bd. w. d. Drog (Lively Tune—Sequence) beat Mr. C. M. Fagan's Flynn's Pride (Kaiser II.—Flynn).

Mr. J. Bruton's bk. b. Beaming Beauty (The Old Firm—Fighting Girl) beat Mr. P. S. Donegan's r. w. b. Tune All (Lively Tune—Dam All).

Messrs. Smith and Larkin's f. b. Some Lark (Lively Tune—Winning Swallow) beat Mr. James Murray's f. b. Molly O'Moore (Moore's Melody II.—Molly's Fancy III.).

Mr. T. McEntaggart's f. r. b. Gilligan's Daughter (Irish Cheer II.—Mysterious Lady II.) beat Mr. James Byrne's bd. d. Rodeo (Tip Top VIII.—Lisbunny Star).

Mr. John Mullen's w. f. b. Lady Rockdaile (Lively Tune—Daisy Rock) beat Mr. John Baird's r. f. b. Caneyreagh Colleen (Glorious Event—Gurt na Mona).

II.

Lilac Time beat Footstown.
Drog beat Hackler's Pride.
Some Lark beat Beaming Beauty.
Gilligan's Daughter beat Lady Rockdaile.

III.

Lilac Time beat Drog.
Some Lark beat Gilligan's Daughter.

IV.

Lilac Time beat Some Lark.

THE HARRISTOWN STAKE—For 8 all ages. Winner, £14; second, £7.

Mr. James Corcoran's bd. d. What's That (Full Speed—Ah, What!) beat Miss M. McDonnell's f. r. d. Aurora (Evador—Tiny Queen).

Mr. J. McCutcheon's f. d. Flying Victor (Victorious Ally—Flying Low) beat Mr. John Fagan's f. b. Trimgate Honeymoon (Honeyman—Magical Maid IV.).

Mr. J. J. Poland's bd. b. Holly Leaves (Dear Sir—Leaves of Memory) beat Mr. James Conaty's w. bd. d. Hawk Eye (Fortlands—Hasty Girl III.).

Mr. G. W. Ahern's f. b. Battledawn (Glorious Event—Blue Bell XXIX.) beat Mr. Geo. Irwin's r. f. d. Iract Elle (Kaiser II.—Daisy XVIII.).

II.

Flying Victor a bye; What's That drawn.
Battledawn beat Holly Leaves.

III.

Flying Victor beat Battledawn.

The wind-up of the season at Follistown yesterday was, despite the inclement weather, a great success. The attendance was large and hares plentiful, coming to hand well, and some excellent trials were witnessed. Lilac Time, a Bettystown dog, ran well, and achieved his second win over these lands for this season. The winner of the Harristown Stake, Flying Victor, hails from Ardee. Rain in the early part of the day delayed matters, but afterwards the coursing was all that could be desired, and the club is to be congratulated on providing such a capital day's sport.

DUBLIN AND THE PROVINCES.

DUBLIN.

St. Patrick's Cathedral Recital.—In St. Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin, last night, Dr. George H. P. Hewson, the Cathedral organist, repeated the organ recital which he gave last Wednesday afternoon. The recital was greatly appreciated. The offerings were for the Choir Superannuation Fund. A "request" programme will be played at the recitals in April next, and requests for any special piece or pieces should be sent to the organist before March 1. A special recital will be given early in March for the St. John Ambulance Appeal.

Motor Car Speed Limit Cases.—E. M. Quirke, the Irish jockey, of Liffey Bank, was fined £2 5s. at Kingstown District Court yesterday for driving a motor car at a speed of over 25 miles an hour in Lower George's street, Kingstown. Ralph Ford, 4 Clare street, Dublin; Patrick Smullen, Seville place, Dublin; Harris King, 30 Parliament street, Dublin, and Patrick Whelan, Parnell street, Dublin, were also fined for driving at excessive speeds.

Citroen Car Club.—The Irish Citroen Car Club are to hold their first annual whist drive and dance next Saturday evening in Mill's Hall, Merrion row, at 7.30 o'clock. The distribution of prizes won during the year will take place during the evening.

Organ and Vocal Recital.—An organ and vocal recital will be given in St. George's Parish Church, Temple street, this evening, in aid of the organ fund. The programme appears in our advertisement columns.

Boy Scouts' Concert.—A concert given by the 11th City of Dublin Troop of Boy Scouts last night in the hall of the Methodist Church, Lower Abbey street, Dublin, was enjoyed by a large audience.

PASSENGERS BY B. AND I. LINE. VIA LIVERPOOL.

ARRIVALS:—H. Tughan, Miss Moston, G. C. Whiteside, J. P. Moston, G. Bailey, R. Isaac, R. F. Scharff, E. Thomson, N. Hughes, F. Mulligan, G. Blackman, R. Hill, T. Smith, H. Park, Rev. Father Park, A. Webb, H. Moslay, Miss Park, Mrs. H. M. Tristram, Miss E. E. Ross.

DEPARTURES:—G. Walsh, Charles E. Jacob, Dr. Edward Yeates, Dr. J. B. Maguire, H. J. Platt, W. L. Dudley, D. R. Pattison, D. B. Moran, Miss Browne, T. Woods, Major Featherstone Godley, Mrs. Featherstone Godley, Mrs. Wallace, Miss Wallace, Mrs. Wigham, Miss Bell, J. L. Judge, H. Wilson, S. Stokes, T. Hill, L. Moseley, T. Oliver, J. Warburton, P. Beattie, J. Flynn, T. Coates, W. Entwhistle.

CONNAUGHT.

Sligo Asylum Estimate.—Sligo Mental Hospital Committee has decided to reduce its estimate for the coming year, which stands at £36,400, to £35,000. The estimate for the current year was £35,010, but the expenditure was £38,019.

Galway Poteen Fines.—At Maam, Co. Galway, yesterday, Laurence M'Carthy, Gowlan, was fined £25 for being in possession of poteen; Mary Walsh, Carnamona, £20, and Thomas Duffy, Carnamona, £20.

LEINSTER.

Overcrowded Workhouse.—The medical officer of the Meath County Home has complained to the County Board of Health that the building is overcrowded. A third of the inmates, he says, are able-bodied and should be discharged. Many persons discharged from the Infirmary obtain admission tickets for the Home. The Matron also reported that the male side was overcrowded; in four cases there were two men to a bed. An inspector is to be sent to the Home to discharge all able-bodied inmates.

A Native Language.—A German boy who gave evidence in a case at Trim yesterday told the magistrate that he knew very little Irish because he could not learn it. Magistrate—"It is as easy as German." Witness—"But I was in Germany, and everyone round me spoke German." The boy's mother is an Irishwoman.

King's County Technical Instruction.—At a meeting of King's County Council on Thursday, the Commissioner fixed a rate of 1d. in the £ as the contribution to the County Committee of Agriculture, an increase of a ½d. on the current year's rate—½d. of the amount is for technical instruction, and 1d. for Irish, an increase of ½d.

Prison as A Refuge.—Parnell McWeeney was at Longford last Wednesday sentenced to five months' imprisonment, with hard labour, for deliberately breaking a plate-glass window, value £20, in a Longford drapery shop. The prisoner said that he was hungry, and wanted to go to prison to get something to eat.

Watered Milk.—The magistrate at Tralee, in fining Bridget Corkerry £10 for selling milk which was adulterated with 25 per cent. of water, said that to water milk supplied to people in the slums was robbery and murder. In these cases responsibility was sought to be shifted from shoulder to shoulder, but he would hold the vendors responsible, though he thought that the defendant in this case might not be responsible for the adulteration. Notice of appeal was given.

MUNSTER.

The Government has made a grant of £500 for the relief of unemployment in the Edenderry (King's County) district.

Lismore (Co. Waterford) Rural District Council's estimate for the ensuing year shows a reduction equal to 2½d. in the £ on that of the current year.

At Kingstown yesterday, Michael Rothery and John Rothery, motor engineers, Stillorgan, were fined 10s. each and costs for failing to register under the Business Names Act, 1916.

The price of the four pounds loaf in Carlow has been increased from 1s. 0½d. to 1s. 1d., and milk from 4d. to 4½d. a quart.

The engineer of the Beaumaris steamer Cymric, Frederick Thoresen, aged 33, of Cardiff, died suddenly of heart failure on board the vessel in Galway Bay yesterday.

NORTHERN IRELAND.

Party Tunes on Bagpipes.—The insistence of Ernest Mallon, of Spamount street, Belfast, on playing a tune on the bagpipes on January 15 last, the day of the poll for the municipal elections, had a sequel in the Belfast Police Court yesterday, when he was prosecuted for riotous conduct and for assault. A constable told the Court that there was a crowd in Lepper street playing mouth-organs and melodeons. At 11.15 p.m. he told the people to cease playing, and they went away. The defendant then appeared with a set of bagpipes and commenced to play party tunes. When the witness spoke to him he jostled against him, and said that he would remain there as long as he liked. The witness then arrested him, and the defendant bit him on both hands and kicked him. A large crowd gathered, including the defendant's mother and sister. The witness permitted the defendant's mother to take him home. The defendant, who had been drinking, apologised to the constable for his conduct, but was fined 5s. for riotous behaviour and 40s. for the assault.

Gift to Northern Parliament.—The Misses Wright, 20 May street, Belfast, have presented Calmet's Dictionary of the Bible in three volumes to the Northern Parliament. The work, which was printed in London in 1732, contains explanations of all the proper names, and accounts of various animals, vegetables, minerals, stones and gems mentioned in the Old and New Testament, and is illustrated with 160 copper plates representing the antiquities, habits and buildings of the Jews. The dictionary was originally written in French by Father Dom Augustin Calmet, a Benedictine monk and Abbot of Senones, and was translated into English by the Rev. Samuel D'Oyly, some time Fellow of Trinity College, Cambridge, and the Rev. John Colson.

New Children's Hospital.—The rebuilding of the Belfast Hospital for Sick Children on a new site and on a larger scale was foreshadowed at the fifty-second annual meeting of the Board of Management held yesterday afternoon in Belfast. The medical report stated that there was a large increase in the work last year. The number of cases in the wards was 666, against 551 in 1923, and in the extern there were 8,746 new cases, an increase of 1,133, and 26,054 attendances, an increase of 1,340. The year 1923 was a "record" year in all branches, but the work done in 1924 shows an increase over that of 1923 of nearly 15 per cent. A number of cases had to be sent away during the year owing to lack of suitable accommodation.

Tyrone Libel Action.—A consent was entered in the Northern King's Bench Division yesterday for judgment for £200 damages and £150 ascertained costs against Samuel Little, Lismore, Lisdoort, Ballygawley, who was defendant in an action brought by Thomas Campbell, Lisamaghrey, Clogher, Co. Tyrone, claiming £1,500 damages for libel. The defendant tendered an apology. The case arose out of the exhibition of shorthorn cattle at the Balmoral Show in 1923, the parties being exhibitors.

Special Constable Charged.—Albert Proctor, a Special constable stationed at Greencastle, was committed for trial yesterday on a charge of breaking and entering the dwelling-house of Winifred Small, Lansdowne road, and stealing a silver sugar castor, silver sugar basin, silver cream jug, and a silver spoon, and two counts under the Firearms Act.

A Large Sunday School.—It was stated at the annual business meeting of the Great Victoria street Presbyterian Church yesterday that the total number of children on the roll in the Sunday School is 700. There is a staff of fifty-five teachers.

HOCKEY.

DUBLIN UNIVERSITY ON TOUR.

ST. ANDREWS UNIVERSITY DEFEATED.

Taking full advantage of the gale which blew straight down the ground, Dublin University scored their fourth win yesterday, defeating St. Andrews by 4 goals to 2. The break in the weather came very suddenly, and so bad was the storm that at one time play looked very unlikely. By the time of starting, however, the conditions had improved, and although the rain made the ground very heavy, the game was possible, and was fought out at a wonderfully fast pace.

Winning the toss for the fourth time, MacDonagh decided to play with the wind, and going all out from the start the side put together just enough to bring them through. Following a level opening the tourists put up a sustained attack, and had St. Andrews penned in their own territory for some time. After fifteen minutes the defence had to concede three penalty corners in succession, and from the last J. Leonard scored, after Hunter had stopped well from MacDonagh. In reply St. Andrews came away once or twice, but the attacks broke down against a steady defence, and Dublin returned to the home circle. This phase came to an end when a neat movement by J. Leonard and West was wound up by the latter adding the second. Thereafter St. Andrews did better, and a dash by the left wing should have yielded a goal, but Wilson sent wide when well placed. A spell of midfield play followed, neither side being able to press home their attacks, and it was close on half-time when Hunter was at fault, kicking outside the circle. From the resulting free West added the third, to be followed by MacDonagh snapping up a good pass by Leonard for the fourth. On this score they changed over.

Dublin were the first to attack on resuming, but the home backs cleared well. J. Dickson put his forwards moving, and D. Robertson reduced the lead with a shot that gave Heatley no chance. A long spell of up-and-down play followed, with the balance in favour of St. Andrews. They subjected the visitors' defence to severe pressure without any definite result. Thanks to some good work by Tuke and Large, both of whom were playing a sound game, at the end of thirty minutes the home forwards were rewarded, Mason slipping in to score the second, but subsequently the defence ruled attack, and the final whistle found the score unaltered.

Playing a strong, bustling game, St. Andrews spoiled much of their work by obstruction, and so lost a number of good openings. Their stick work was clever, but in front of goal the hitting might have been sharper. Hunter, in goal, was very sound, apart from his one lapse. The Dublin forward line did fairly against a robust defence, and lasted out a fast game well. As in previous matches, the strength of the side lay in the half-back line, where Connell got through a lot of work. The full backs played their best game so far, and both were hitting much more sharply than in the earlier matches. The tour will conclude with the match against Aberdeen University, who are said to have a more than average side this season. Result:—

Dublin University	4
St. Andrews University	2

The teams were:—

Dublin University—R. A. Heatley; J. H. Tuke, C. Somerville-Large; B. Daly, W. L. Connell, G. Rooke; S. Leonard, J. Leonard, G. F. West, W. P. MacDonagh, W. E. Acheson.

St. Andrews—A. Hunter; T. Dorward, J. Robertson; D. C. Dickson, J. Dickson, E. Patterson; D. Dorward, D. Robertson, R. Mason, R. Wilson, M. L. Strachan.

Umpires—J. Foster and J. S. Crockett.

LADIES' INTERPROVINCIALS.

WATERLOGGED GROUNDS SPOIL PLAY.

The ladies' inter-provincial matches yesterday at Claremont road and Park avenue were completely spoiled by the shocking conditions under which they were played. Each ground was waterlogged, and altogether unfit for play even before it was decided to carry on, and as the matches proceeded the pitches were so badly cut up that it was simply a case of trying to dig the ball out of the ground. Falls were, of course, frequent, and as the players retired to the pavilion they presented an unusual spectacle, covered as many of them were from head to foot with the mud. Under the circumstances, the matches could not have been of much assistance to the selectors. Good hockey was absolutely impossible, but obviously the Ulster team is very strong forward, and had the ground been in anything approaching even fair condition they must have achieved a comfortable win over Leinster, whose defence would have been often beaten but for the forwards failing back to assist them.

LEINSTER (1) v. ULSTER (1).

At Park avenue, in a continual downpour, the match between Ulster and Leinster resulted in a draw, each side scoring a goal. Ulster attacked from the start, but play was in progress about fifteen minutes before a fine forward movement resulted in Miss Strahan (right-inside) passing to Miss Rudd (centre-forward), who netted a splendid goal. Ulster continued to attack, and several attempts were made to increase the score, but Miss Maxwell saved on each occasion. After some up and down play, Miss T. Dilworth, the Leinster left-wing, got possession, and raced up the field, but was tackled by Miss Mulligan. Leinster were awarded a penalty corner, off which Miss McCann shot a goal, which glanced off one of the posts before going in. Play was in the Leinster "25" until the interval, but no further goals were scored.

The second half was very scrappy, due to the condition of the ground. There were several scrimmages in the Leinster goal mouth, but the defence of the Leinster backs was too good. The speedy, though light, Leinster forwards were greatly handicapped by the heavy ground, and did not combine as well as usual.

For Ulster, Miss Bradley in goal, got nothing to do, but the two fulls, Misses Mulligan and Shillington, were very steady. At centre-half, Miss Archdale was splendid in attack and defence, while Miss Wishart (left), who is still a schoolgirl, showed remarkable speed, and marked Miss Phillips very well. The forwards all played a dashing game, and combined magnificently.

In goal for Leinster, Miss Maxwell was always reliable, saving several likely goals during each half. The fulls were both good, Mrs. Pickeman, perhaps, being the steadier. The halves were splendid, Miss H. Dilworth (centre) being really brilliant, while Mrs. Mainguy and Miss Pigot got through any amount of work. Miss McCann (inside-left) was the pick of the forwards, playing a very clever and enterprising game.

Teams:—

Ulster—Miss Bradley (Chestnut); Miss Mulligan and Miss Shillington (Chestnut); Miss Armstrong (Knock), Miss Archdale (Knock), and Miss Wishart (M.C.B.); Miss Moffett (Queen's), Miss Strahan (Queen's), Miss Rudd (Knock), Miss Rodden (Knock), and Miss MacBride (Knock).

Leinster—Miss Maxwell (High School); Miss O'Loughlin (Old College), and Mrs. Pickeman (Monkstown); Miss Pigot (Maids), Miss H. Dilworth (Old College), and Mrs. Mainguy (Monkstown); Miss Perrin (Optimists), Miss Phillips (Old College), Mrs. Pratt (Old College), Miss McCann (Maids), Miss T. Dilworth (Old College).

MUNSTER (6) v. CONNAUGHT (0).

The game at Claremont road ended in a victory for Munster by six goals to nil after a scrambling game. In the first half matters, despite the Southerners' two goal lead at the interval, were fairly even, with the balance of steadiness in favour of Munster. As a line the Connaught forwards were superior to their opponents, but whatever good they did in midfield they failed to finish in the circle.

Individually, the Munster forward line had the advantage. Dr. Ledlie and the Misses Fudger and Cummins were as good as the conditions would allow them to be, and Miss Cummins' two goals in the second half were splendid efforts, the first being a really fine shot from the edge of the circle, beating the Connaught backs and goalkeeper completely.

Munster, save for some fine efforts by the Connaught line, which would have had a better chance of success on a dry day, kept their opponents confined to their own territory, and seemed the better able to adapt themselves to the abnormal conditions.

Miss Ledlie and Miss Fudger were responsible for Munster's two goals in the first half, while Miss Fudger, Miss Cummins (two) and Miss Rohan brought the total to six in the second period.

On the Connaught side penalties for "sticks" and "turns" were fairly frequent, though Miss Mahony and Miss Dowling played well in the losers' defence.

The game was more a question of adaptability than skill, but Munster thoroughly deserved their victory.

TO-DAY'S FIXTURES.

Leinster v. Connaught, Clermont road. 2.15
Ulster v. Munster, Park avenue. 3.15.

Leinster team v. Connaught—Misses Magee, O'Loughlin, Levinston, Cooper, O'Kelly, Mrs. Mainguy, Misses Perrin, Wallis, Mrs. Pratt, Misses McCann and Porter.

Munster team v. Ulster—Misses Olden, Harman, Williams, Donegan, Cummins, Goggin, Hamilton, Ledlie, Fudger, De Bromhead, Sugrue.

THE CHURCH OF IRELAND.

The Diocesan Council of Dublin met yesterday. The Archbishop of Dublin presided, and the other members present were: Canon Thompson, Canon Lewis-Crosby, the Rev. A. E. Hughes, the Dean of Christ Church, Canon Connell, Precentor Stewart, Canon Gibbon, the Rev. E. G. Sullivan, Canon White, Mr. W. G. Wakely, Mr. J. A. Maconchy, Sir John W. Moore, Mr. R. Blair White, Mr. W. E. Thrift, F.T.C.D.; Mr. A. D. Price, Mr. P. H. Grierson, the Earl of Belmore, and Mr. S. P. Wilmot. A report from the sub-committee appointed to make arrangements for joint meetings of the Diocesan Synods was considered, amended, and adopted. Having transacted the remaining business, the Council adjourned until Thursday, February 26th next.

A new chancel, holy table, and lectern have been provided for the mission hall connected with St. Anne's Cathedral, Belfast, by Mr. W. Mackey.

Services commemorating the eighty-second anniversary of the consecration of Trinity Church, Belfast, took place recently, the special preacher for the occasion being the Bishop of Tuam.

A meeting of the Dublin Clerical Association will be held next Monday at 37 Dawson street at 2.30 p.m. Greek Testament study will commence at I. Peter ii., 11, and a paper on "Clerical Anarchy" will be read by Canon Newport White, to which the following members will speak:—Canon G. F. Graham, the Rev. E. M. Bateman, and the Rev. J. Tobias.

LOCAL GOVERN[...]

PROBLEM OF ROAD CO[...] MAINTENA[...]

SUGGESTIONS IN [...]

When the Free State Senate considered amendments to the Local Government Bill yesterday, there was an interesting discussion on the cost of constructing and maintaining the roads.

Sir John Keane proposed that 75 per cent. of the cost should be borne by the Road Fund and 25 per cent. by the poor rate. He said that the state of the roads was appalling, and that the Government seemed to have no settled plan to meet it.

It was pointed out that when the motor tax was imposed an undertaking was given that the amount raised would be used for the improvement, not the maintenance, of the roads, and that the poor rate was too high already.

The Minister for Local Government said that the whole question of motor taxation and the roads was under consideration. The debate was adjourned.

THREE DEFINITIONS.

HOTELS, BOARDING-HOUSES AND LODGING-HOUSES.

When the Committee stage of the Local Government Bill was resumed yesterday in the Free State Senate, Mr. Haughton proposed the adoption of a new sub-section in Section 18 defining lodging-houses, boarding-houses and hotels. The definitions were:—

Common Lodging-house—A lodging-house, the valuation of which shall not exceed £15, if situated in the City of Dublin, £12 if situated in the Cities of Cork, Limerick or Waterford, and £10 if situated elsewhere.

Boarding-houses—All other houses except hotels, where the business of letting a furnished room or rooms, with or without board or service is carried on.

Hotels—All premises with ten bedrooms, which are set apart exclusively for the accommodation of guests.

The proposed sub-section provided for the registration of lodging-houses and the inspection and registration of boarding-houses.

Mr. Haughton said that the sub-section would be of special importance in a place like Cobh, where there was apt to be considerable over-crowding.

Mr. Burke, Minister for Local Government, said that the difficulty about the sanitary code was that it was not put into effective operation. He thought it was very inadvisable to deal with the sanitary code before they had an opportunity of proving whether it was efficient or not.

The amendment was defeated, and several consequential amendments were dropped.

MEDICAL OFFICERS.

Mr. O'Rourke moved that the appointment of whole-time medical officers by county councils should be discretionary. He said that they should not ask a county council to make an appointment unless they felt that the finances of the county could justify it.

Mr. O'Sullivan said that the appointment of whole-time medical officers was a necessity. He welcomed the bill for nothing else but the appointment of whole-time medical officers.

Sir John Keane supported the amendment.

Mr. O'Farrell said he hoped that the House would reject the amendment. The officer would have no more power than existing officers had. There was much need for the appointment of a whole-time officer.

Mr. Burke explained that the amendment was not necessary, because the officer to be appointed would act with discretion under the county council. The officer would not insist upon the same high degree of sanitation in, say, Connemara, as he would in a district of South Dublin. His duty would be to see that the operations of the public health were carried out with efficiency, which they were not hitherto.

Dr. Gogarty said that the value of the section was that the medical officer should be independent.

The amendment was lost.

Mr. Linehan moved an amendment by which it would be required that new county officers of public health should possess a diploma in public health, from a recognised University or College, for at least ten years.

Dr. O'Sullivan opposed the amendment, remarking that a man of only one year's standing might be much better qualified than the older one of ten years.

On a division the amendment was lost by 30 votes to four.

SELECTION BOARDS.

The Earl of Mayo asked whether the Minister could indicate who would constitute the board which would select a panel of medical officers of health to go before the county council.

The Chairman said that there was no provision in the bill for a selection board, and there was no obligation on a county council to make an appointment on a selection board's panel.

Mr. Burke said that he had power to refuse sanction to a county medical officer of health who had not been recommended by a selection board. Recently very great satisfaction had been given by a selection board consisting of a representative of the two Universities and of the College of Surgeons. The intention was to stereotype the system of appointments through recommendation by a selection board.

The Chairman pointed out that there might be some legal difficulty in carrying out the system outlined, and suggested that the question might be left over to the Report stage to give the Minister an opportunity of going into it further with the object of putting the whole matter of the selection of candidates on a proper basis.

Mr. Burke agreed to the suggestion.

Colonel Moore asked if anything could be done for the provision of district nurses under the bill. In the West those nurses were of the utmost importance, and there was often a struggle to keep one of them in a district by means of voluntary contributions in aid from Lady Dudley's nursing sisters.

Mr. Burke said that his department was giving the movement every encouragement in its power. He did not think that it was necessary to put anything in the bill.

VETERINARY SURGEONS.

Mr. Parkinson moved a new section, to be inserted before Section 20, as follows:—"Every sanitary authority shall appoint, with the approval of the Minister, for their sanitary district one or more persons registered under the Veterinary Surgeons' Act, 1881, to be veterinary inspectors for such

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PROBLEM OF ROAD CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE.

SUGGESTIONS IN THE SENATE.

When the Free State Senate considered amendments to the Local Government Bill yesterday, there was an interesting discussion on the cost of constructing and maintaining the roads.

Sir John Keane proposed that 75 per cent. of the cost should be borne by the Road Fund and 25 per cent. by the poor rate. He said that the state of the roads was appalling, and that the Government seemed to have no settled plan to meet it.

It was pointed out that when the motor tax was imposed an undertaking was given that the amount raised would be used for the improvement, not the maintenance, of the roads, and that the poor rate was too high already.

The Minister for Local Government said that the whole question of motor taxation and the roads was under consideration. The debate was adjourned.

THREE DEFINITIONS.

HOTELS, BOARDING-HOUSES AND LODGING-HOUSES.

When the Committee stage of the Local Government Bill was resumed yesterday in the Free State Senate, Mr. Haughton proposed the adoption of a new sub-section in Section 18 defining lodging-houses, boarding-houses and hotels. The definitions were:—

Common Lodging-house—A lodging-house, the valuation of which shall not exceed £15, if situated in the City of Dublin, £12 if situated in the Cities of Cork, Limerick or Waterford, and £10 if situated elsewhere.

Boarding-houses—All other houses except hotels, where the business of letting a furnished room or rooms, with or without board or service is carried on.

Hotels—All premises with ten bedrooms, which are set apart exclusively for the accommodation of guests.

The proposed sub-section provided for the registration of lodging-houses and the inspection and registration of boarding-houses.

Mr. Haughton said that the sub-section would be of special importance in a place like Cobh, where there was apt to be considerable over-crowding.

Mr. Burke, Minister for Local Government, said that the difficulty about the sanitary code was that it was not put into effective operation. He thought it was very inadvisable to deal with the sanitary code before they had an opportunity of proving whether it was efficient or not.

The amendment was defeated, and several consequential amendments were dropped.

MEDICAL OFFICERS.

Mr. O'Rourke moved that the appointment of whole-time medical officers by county councils should be discretionary. He said that they should not ask a county council to make an appointment unless they felt that the finances of the county could justify it.

Mr. O'Sullivan said that the appointment of whole-time medical officers was a necessity. He welcomed the bill for nothing else but the appointment of whole-time medical officers.

Sir John Keane supported the amendment.

Mr. O'Farrell said he hoped that the House would reject the amendment. The officer would have no more power than existing officers had. There was much need for the appointment of a whole-time officer.

Mr. Burke explained that the amendment was not necessary, because the officer to be appointed would act with discretion under the county council. The officer would not insist upon the same high degree of sanitation in, say, Connemara, as he would in a district of South Dublin. His duty would be to see that the operations of the public health were carried out with efficiency, which they were not hitherto.

Dr. Gogarty said that the value of the section was that the medical officer should be independent.

The amendment was lost.

Mr. Linehan moved an amendment by which it would be required that new county officers of public health should possess a diploma in public health, from a recognised University or College, for at least ten years.

Dr. O'Sullivan opposed the amendment, remarking that a man of only one year's standing might be much better qualified than the older one of ten years.

On a division the amendment was lost by 30 votes to four.

SELECTION BOARDS.

The Earl of Mayo asked whether the Minister could indicate who would constitute the board which would select a panel of medical officers of health to go before the county council.

The Chairman said that there was no provision in the bill for a selection board, and there was no obligation on a county council to make an appointment on a selection board's panel.

Mr. Burke said that he had power to refuse sanction to a county medical officer of health who had not been recommended by a selection board. Recently very great satisfaction had been given by a selection board consisting of a representative of the two Universities and of the College of Surgeons. The intention was to stereotype the system of appointments through recommendation by a selection board.

The Chairman pointed out that there might be some legal difficulty in carrying out the system outlined, and suggested that the question might be left over to the Report stage to give the Minister an opportunity of going into it further with the object of putting the whole matter of the selection of candidates on a proper basis.

Mr. Burke agreed to the suggestion.

Colonel Moore asked if anything could be done for the provision of district nurses under the bill. In the West those nurses were of the utmost importance, and there was often a struggle to keep one of them in a district by means of voluntary contributions in aid from Lady Dudley's nursing sisters.

Mr. Burke said that his department was giving the movement every encouragement in its power. He did not think that it was necessary to put anything in the bill.

VETERINARY SURGEONS.

Mr. Parkinson moved a new section, to be inserted before Section 20, as follows:—"Every sanitary authority shall appoint, with the approval of the Minister, for their sanitary district one or more persons registered under the Veterinary Surgeons' Act, 1881, to be veterinary inspectors for such district. Every such veterinary inspector shall be a sanitary officer within the meaning of Section 11 of the Public Health (Ireland) Act, 1878. This section shall not come into effect until the appointed day."

He said so far the words "veterinary surgeon" had not appeared in any part of the bill. In most of the rural districts veterinary surgeons had been appointed to carry out duties relating to live stock, but in some of the poorer districts people other than veterinary surgeons had been appointed to carry out those duties. He asked the Minister to accept the amendment so that in future all appointments in connection with live stock, meat inspection, etc., should go to veterinary surgeons.

The advent of the motor car and the departure from Ireland of many rich people who were able to employ veterinary surgeons, had rendered it very difficult for them to make a living. If those jobs were taken away from them there would be no inducement for many a local veterinary surgeon to remain in a county. The result would be that poor people whose cattle might be sick would have to fall back on the quack or the local chemist in order to have their cattle doctored.

The Minister for Agriculture had often spoken of the value of live stock to the country. It was the main source of Irish wealth and the main hope of the country's future. They congratulated themselves on having escaped foot-and-mouth disease, which was raging in other countries, and, surely, they ought to show some gratitude to the veterinary surgeon who had kept their cattle healthy. He asked the Department and the Senate to see that the object of his amendment was carried out. They might be assured of the gratitude of the veterinary profession.

Mr. McLysaght supported the amendment.

OTHER INTERESTS.

Sir John Keane said that there were other interests to be considered in this matter. He could not see why a whole-time medical officer could not examine milk and meat. A multiplicity of officials might be imposed on the already hard-pressed ratepayers. If the question were to be dealt with at all it must be done from the point of view of one official doing the work irrespective of under what Act the duties were imposed. The ratepayers had got very anxious about the tendency to create appointments and to multiply officials. Officials should not be appointed piecemeal.

The Earl of Mayo supported the amendment. It was, he said, very necessary that veterinary surgeons should be appointed. It was very necessary that veterinary surgeons should be at the disposal of the poorer people, who could not afford to pay large fees for the doctoring of their cattle or horses.

Mr. Kenny said that if any infectious disease got into the country it would not be a county or two, but the whole of the Saorstat which would be cut off from their markets. They ran that risk if foot-and-mouth disease made its appearance in any county. Therefore, the greatest precautions should be taken against that possibility. They wanted to have every square yard of their territory under the close observation of men eminently qualified to detect such disorders.

Mr. Bennett thought that the whole question of the appointment of veterinary surgeons should be delayed.

Dr. O'Sullivan said that a veterinary surgeon was not the officer who should inspect milk or meat.

The Earl of Mayo said that the duty of a veterinary officer should be to report the existence of such diseases as might cause serious loss among live stock.

MINISTER'S VIEWS.

Mr. Burke said that at present they had numerous sanitary officers who were really doing the work of veterinary surgeons. In many cases it was not compulsory to appoint a veterinary surgeon, and unqualified persons were doing the work. He thought that the amendment was one that should go through.

Mr. Farren said that under the Public Health Act a local authority had power, if it thought it desirable, to appoint a veterinary inspector as sanitary inspector. Certain duties were performed by sub-sanitary officers under the supervision of veterinary inspectors.

Mr. Linehan said that the object of the amendment was to provide jobs for a certain number of officers who were not able to live as well as they had been accustomed.

Mr. Brown proposed the postponement of the discussion until the report stage.

Mr. Parkinson agreed to the suggestion of the Chairman that the question be postponed to the report stage.

ROADS.

On the motion of Mr. Brown an amendment to Section 21 was adopted making it the duty of the County Councils to maintain county and main roads as from the 1st of April, 1925.

Mr. O'Rourke moved an amendment to the same section which would give the Council power to declare any road a public road, provided it is not less than eleven feet wide at any point, and connecting two public roads. His object, he said, was to make it possible for passages in rural parts, which might be called bohreens, to be put into such condition as the needs and conveniences of the inhabitants required.

Mr. Burke said that the amendment would involve heavy expenditure, and might trench on the rights of private property. Ireland was already "over-roaded."

Colonel Sir Nugent Everard said that he had had long experience of County Council work, and he knew that applications to have new roads put on the rates were constantly coming before the Councils—intrigues to get bohreens made into public roads. If the amendment were intended to widen the power of the County Council still further it would mean an enormous opening for intrigue, and would at the same time involve heavy rates.

Where there were a number of farmers clustered together it would be well to construct a road for their convenience; but to say that any road that was not less than eleven feet wide should be put on the rates would be dangerous.

The amendment was carried.

COST OF MAINTENANCE.

Sir John Keane moved as a new sub-section:—"That the expenses of maintaining and constructing main roads shall be raised and defrayed, 75 per cent. out of the Road Fund and 25 per cent. out of the poor rate."

He moved his amendment, he said, to try to persuade the Government to deal out more justice to rural ratepayers in respect of the maintenance of main roads. There was some recoupment of the cost of the roads, but not nearly so much as in England, where, also, they received a very considerable grant in relief of rates. If the main roads in the country were to serve only the local requirements they would be of a totally different character. If properly made for motor traffic they would be a detriment to the farmer, because they would be dangerous for horse traffic.

It was most inequitable to regard the main roads in terms of counties. In Kildare there was heavy traffic passing through, but not originating in the county, and the ratepayers there had to provide five-eighths of the cost of the main roads. Farmers were not against modern roads to carry modern traffic, but the burden of their cost should not be so heavy on the local rates.

Mr. Kenny gave figures to show that if the amendment were carried there would be placed on the Road Fund an expense that it could not carry. That fund, he said, was primarily for the reconstruction, and not for the maintenance, of roads. All the resources of the fund at present were unable to keep pace with the destruction of the roads, to say nothing about reconstruction. The finances of the country could not stand the burden that Sir John Keane's proposal would put upon them.

Mr. Westropp Bennett supported the amendment, and said that, according to Senator Kenny, there could be no relief from local taxation until the Road Fund was able to re-make all the roads in Ireland. If something were not done before long they would have the local authorities rising up against the cost of the roads.

Dr. Gogarty said that he agreed with Sir John Keane. He believed that they could not have too many good roads, but the cost of their upkeep was not justly distributed. The heavy lorries were the greatest cause of injury to the roads, and those should be made to pay an initial charge before going on the road as well as a tax on the petrol used.

THE REAL TROUBLE.

Mr. McLysaght said that it should be emphasised that the real trouble was the lorry.

Mr. O'Duffy said that it was not possible to give effect to Sir John Keane's amendment for the tax on motor cars, which was at present the main source for building up the Road Board Fund, was imposed on the understanding that the money would be devoted to the improvement and construction of roads, and not to ordinary maintenance.

Some sort of calculation could be made a few years ago as to what maintenance would cost, but now it was almost impossible to say where maintenance or reconstruction and improvement began. Traffic on the roads had changed and increased to such an extent that probably ten times the amount formerly sufficient was now necessary for keeping roads up to a reasonable standard.

He thought it would be only fair to ask the Road Board, that was the motorists, to provide 75 per cent. of the cost. The word "maintenance" in Sir John Keane's amendment was the defect, because they could not, under the guarantee given to the Motor Associations, devote any of their money to maintenance. The tax was imposed on the strict understanding that it was for "improvement."

The main roads had to be reconstructed, made out of new material, and for a different purpose for what they were originally intended. It would, he said, be a retrograde step on the part of the farming community to seek to prohibit the use of the roads to motor lorries. He asked Sir John Keane to delete the word "maintenance" from the amendment, and he was sure it would have the support of the Senate.

Sir John Keane—What form would you suggest?

Mr. O'Duffy said "expenses of improvement and reconstruction" would take him out of the difficulty.

POINT OF ORDER.

Sir Nugent Everard, on a point of order, said that he was not quite sure that the Constitution did not preclude the Senate from dealing with the finances of the country. The suggestion was that 75 per cent. should be paid out of the Road Fund. He was not sure that it did not actually alter the bill.

The Chairman said that he was sorry that the question had been raised. It was decided twelve months ago that the Senate had no power to interfere with money grants in a certified money bill, but if a bill was not certified as a money bill their power was unlimited.

Mr. Burke said that he sympathised with the idea which had induced Sir John Keane to move the amendment—the idea of keeping down the rates. It would be quite clear to the House that he was not in a position to carry the amendment into effect without consulting the Executive Council, or without a financial resolution. He had only the rates to administer, and had to depend on the goodwill of the Minister for Finance as to what other funds he could get to assist him in carrying out his duties.

He would like to have a considerable addition to the Road Fund from the Central Fund, but he was not in a position to command it. In the circumstances no useful purpose would be served by insisting on the amendment. He was doing everything he could to get funds to maintain the trunk roads. Last year they had got a grant of over £1,000,000 in subsidy of the ordinary Road Fund, and he hoped as time went on that they would be able to increase that fund.

LAST YEAR'S EXPENDITURE.

There was sufficient money expended on the roads last year to have brought the roads into a perfect state of repair if they had to stand only the pre-war traffic, but with six or seven ton lorries pounding over the roads, it was impossible to keep a surface which would stand for any length of time.

He had travelled over thousands of miles of concrete road in America, but he was told that concrete had not proved satisfactory here owing to the dampness of the climate. He was doing all he could to carry out repairs to the main roads, and was making every possible effort to get grants from the Central Fund to supplement the local rates. It would be a very serious matter to lay down any hard and fast lines now, particularly as a committee was going into the whole matter of motor taxation, the proper system of maintaining roads, and the proper system of distributing the cost of maintenance on local and central funds.

He did not think it was fair at the present time to ask the Minister for Finance for more money when he was anxious to bring down taxation and balance his Budget, particularly when no one wanted to see anything in the way of an increase in income tax. He saw no way of putting this proposal into effect without increasing income tax, and for that reason asked the Senate to seriously consider what action it would take.

NO POLICY.

Sir John Keane said that the debate had shown that the Government had not so far thought out any policy in regard to a crying evil. It was very disquieting to be told that the rural roads would receive no assistance towards maintenance. The whole of the Road Board Fund was going in capital expenditure. The £760,000 was spent on what were generally called "main roads," and they had those roads in their present condition. It was most appalling. He asked the House to make their protest by passing this amendment.

The Chairman said that he had ruled the amendment in order on the assumption that there was a message from the Governor-General authorising the appropriation of moneys to be voted by both Houses for the purposes of this bill.

The Minister for Local Government said that there had been appropriation in respect of Clause 17.

Mr. O'Farrell said that this fund was earmarked for road purposes only, and the amendment simply laid down the proportions in which it might be spent. It was not the same thing as voting fresh sums of money.

Mr. Kenny suggested that further discussion on the matter should be postponed until the scheme at present under consideration was brought before the Minister.

The Chairman said that the Senate had asserted a certain position which had not been challenged. He thought it would be a mistake to debate the matter further at the moment without his seeing the message from the Governor-General.

The Senate adjourned until 11.30 this morning.

BELFAST LINEN TRADE.

EFFECT ON U.S. EXCHANGE.

NOVELTY FABRICS IN DEMAND.

The official report of the Belfast linen trade for the fortnight ending 28th January states:—The Irish flax markets have been well supplied since the last report. The demand for fibre has not been so keen, and consequently prices are easier, but in some cases growers would not accept the lower values. In some districts scutching is practically over, which will make supplies smaller next month. On the Continent there is very little change to report. The value of the poorer quality of flax is better, but there is no change in the better end.

Latvian Flax.—Little fresh to report. Demand very quiet. It is thought that the Latvian Government would consider business at a cut below to-day's rates for bulk—say, 500-1,000 tons. According to the last report, almost half of the Latvian crop has been delivered to the Government brokers.

Esthonian Flax.—Conditions are easier; small desultory business going on.

Soviet Flax.—Little change in actual quotations, but buyers holding back.

Yarns.—There has been no new feature during the interval since our last report. The market, so far as values are concerned, has not been tested. Orders offering for lines have been put through at about rates lately current. Tow yarns have barely maintained their ground, in spite of the scarcity and high prices of raw material.

Weavers.—Nothing special to report in this section. Business continues quiet.

Merchants.—Housekeeping Goods.—Since last report business has been on the quiet side. Not many new orders have been secured; but stocks across the water are somewhat low, and it is fully expected an improvement will be experienced in a few weeks. Trade in handkerchiefs is now started, some goods orders being booked during the past fortnight. Dress Linens.—Some fair orders have been placed during the past fortnight, and novelty fabrics are in demand. Business, however, is somewhat restricted, owing to the advance in U.S.A. exchange, but various inquiries have been received, and further orders are expected to be arranged during February.

Thousands of ladies keep a box of Martin's pills in the house. Those who use them recommend them, hence their enormous sale. Price 5s. Sold by all Chemists and Stores; or post free from Proprietors, Martin, Chemists, Southampton.—(Advt.)

GREATER DUBLIN.

BLACKROCK'S OBJECTION TO ABSORPTION.

FEARS NEGLECT OF LOCAL INTERESTS.

Evidence was given before the Greater Dublin Commission yesterday by Mr. J. J. Mooney, the Town Clerk of Blackrock.

Professor W. Magennis, T.D. (Chairman), presided, and there were also present Senator Mrs. Wyse Power, Senator Oliver St. J. Gogarty; Messrs. E. Alton, T.D.; A. Byrne, T.D.; Alexander MacCabe, and J. J. McAsey, Secretary.

Mr. J. P. McCabe (Chairman) and Messrs. Downey and Byrne, members of the Blackrock Urban Council, were also in attendance.

TOWN CLERK'S EVIDENCE.

Mr. Mooney, in the course of his evidence, said that the Blackrock Urban District Council were strongly opposed to the proposal to have the urban district absorbed in the city, believing that they were thus acting in the best interests and in accordance with the wishes of the ratepayers and residents of their urban area generally. Those interests, he submitted, were so totally different from those of the city proper that they could not possibly receive from a larger body, more familiar with the needs and conditions of the business portion of the city, that special care which they were receiving from a body composed of local residents with intimate knowledge of local conditions. The fostering and development of local facilities was the guiding principle in local administration. The Blackrock Council, with the approval of the electors, expressed in a plebiscite, had decided to join with the Dun Laoghaire Urban Council in promoting a bill to form a borough consisting of Blackrock, Dun Laoghaire and Dalkey, rather than be linked up with the city in a scheme which would in all probability entail increased financial burdens without any compensating advantages. The Dublin Corporation had lodged a petition against that bill. Reference was made in that petition to the advantages derived by the residents of urban areas from the city markets, business premises, and places of amusement.

COUNCIL'S ANSWER.

The answer of the Council was that the city markets and the other places were kept up to a considerable extent and were enlarged by the trade and patronage of the population of the urban districts; the rateable valuation was thus increased, thereby increasing the city revenue. It would, he contended, be as reasonable to ask that provincial towns and districts outside the proposed new area should subscribe towards the upkeep of the city because they traded with the city.

Blackrock was the first of the coastal townships formed under the Act of 1854, and comprised an area of 1,078 acres, with a Council of twenty-four members. The housing needs of the working classes in the district have been adequately provided for. Fifty-five dwellings were erected by the Town Commissioners in 1897, and since then 242 additional houses had been erected by the Council at a total expenditure of £96,841. Some 251 insanitary dwellings were demolished and all unhealthy areas in the district cleared.

Public baths and wash-houses had been erected at a cost of £3,373. A children's playground had been provided at an expenditure of £2,400, and they were maintaining a park of fourteen acres. Other facilities included open sea baths, a maternity and child welfare scheme. A joint sewerage scheme with Dun Laoghaire Council cost Blackrock a capital expenditure of £38,887. They had also provided an efficient motor ambulance service, fire fighting equipment, provision for hospital treatment for residents, 170 allotments, and facilities for technical education; a public library and reading room. Ten thousand pounds had been expended on widening, improving and re-surfacing roads in the area. They had acquired fourteen acres for housing purposes, on part of which forty houses had been built, the remaining part being attractively laid out and let for building on moderate terms.

The valuation of Blackrock was estimated at £49,287 10s., and the population was estimated at 10,100. Rates for the current financial year were 10s. [illegible] in the £, with 4s. 10d. for poor rate [illegible] total of 14s. 10d., compared with 19s. 2d. in the city. The Council were convinced that, if any change were to be made in the administration of the urban districts, it should be the amalgamation of the three coastal townships, Blackrock, Kingstown and Dalkey, as proposed in the Borough Bill before the Oireachtas.

In reply to the Chairman, Mr. Mooney said he thought the city would naturally extend, but not in their direction.

Mr. A. Byrne asked if, they were guaranteed that their present rates would not be increased, would they still object to inclusion.

Mr. Mooney said that they would.

The Chairman remarked that witnesses from Kingstown had also said that rates were not the main consideration; they were only one of many.

LOCAL ADMINISTRATION.

Mr. J. P. McCabe, Chairman of the Council, expressed the view that nobody would look after the interests of Blackrock to the same extent as men who lived and had their business in the district. The result of local administration was that they had in Blackrock lower rates and properly-kept roads. For instance, nowhere in the township had they a road in so bad a condition as was the road outside Government Buildings in Merrion street. Another point that he made was that under a Greater Dublin scheme they could not have a very large representation and their interests must be overlooked.

He mentioned building schemes at Blackrock and Temple Hill which had been carried out, and said that the Dublin Corporation had done nothing to take over derelict property.

Senator Mrs. Wyse Power said that the Corporation had no law enabling them to do so.

Mr. McCabe retorted that they could have passed a law if they wanted, instead of going out to annex the townships. He asserted that there was plenty of waste land in the centre of the city, where thousands of houses could be built.

Challenged by Mr. A. Byrne to point to any waste land, Mr. McCabe said only a day or two ago he had seen squares of derelict sites in the Coombe area, and there was also plenty of land out at Inchicore.

Mr. Byrne asked were the ratepayers already highly taxed to pay for these sites.

Mr. McCabe answered that they had raised the money in Blackrock and paid for their housing schemes.

Questioned by Senator Mrs. Wyse Power about the Temple Hill scheme, Mr. McCabe said that the Government had helped them, but they would have given the same help to the Dublin Corporation. He admitted that the Temple Hill houses were not working-class houses, but said that they had provided ample accommodation for the working people in Blackrock by building artisans' dwellings.

OTHER EVIDENCE.

Mr. Downey, Urban Councillor, Blackrock, said that the bill presented to the Dail by the Conference of which he was a member represented the views of the Blackrock Council as to the direction in which development should take place. Anything contrary to that would simply arrest development of their district.

Mr. S. Byrne, Urban Councillor, shared the views of his colleagues as to the effect of the absorption of Blackrock under the Corporation scheme. He said that for all purposes except that of rating, Blackrock, Kingstown and Dalkey were always regarded as one area. He thought that under the proposed Borough Bill, with a single Council, instead of the three existing Councils, they would get more economical administration. He believed that the city should develop, but thought that development should be on natural and not on artificial lines.

C.M.S. MEDICAL MISSIONS.

"May I," writes a correspondent, "draw attention to the notice which has appeared several times in your advertising columns, to the effect that Mr. T. Z. Koo cannot speak, as announced, at the meeting to-night at the Friends' Meeting House? His presence was urgently required at Geneva, to combat a proposal that would be disastrous from the point of view of the Chinese Anti-Opium Association, which he represents at the League of Nations' Conference, and he has, therefore, been obliged, most reluctantly to cancel, at short notice, his various engagements in the British Isles. Instead of the joint meeting on 'Changing China,' Dr. Mabel Poulter will give a Lantern Lecture on 'Medical Work in China,' at which all who care to come will be welcome."

"RIP VAN WINKLE REPUBLICANISM."

PROFESSOR O'RAHILLY'S REPLY TO MR. DE VALERA.

HAMPERING BUSINESS.

"When I am called the 'sugar crater of the Treaty,' I might reply that at least I did not smear it with blood. I prefer to be its successful confectioner rather than its unsuccessful executioner."

Professor O'Rahilly makes this point in a reply to what he describes as "Mr. de Valera's lamentation over my moral degeneration." He continues:—

"Discussions about the nature of the 'oath' are obviously a waste of time and fail to convince the minority. It is equally obvious that any attempt to secure its removal is at present impracticable, nor are the majority of the members of the Oireachtas inclined to take any risks in securing concessions to scruples which they consider misplaced. Let us assume, then, that Mr. de Valera retains his moral and national objections to the 'oath.' This is the assumption I made in my interview, though I am quite aware that very many of Mr. de Valera's followers do not agree with him. But does it follow that his present policy is the best for the interests he has at heart? He wants us 'to maintain our own individuality as a nation, not merely for sentimental reasons, but because we would be more prosperous.' Are we really expected to believe that the perpetuation of instability, the raising of a threat of rupture and upheaval at every by-election, is bringing us prosperity?

"Mr. de Valera may be right in thinking that if we got rid of a few formulas; if we could induce England and the North to agree to a Republic or a semi-Republic for all Ireland, and if some other things could be secured, then we might be more national and prosperous. But in point of fact this hypothetical future prosperity is being used as just an excuse for preventing our present prosperity.

"Mr. de Valera knows as well as I do that his present negative policy of mere abstention is not bringing us a step nearer to nationality or prosperity—quite the reverse. It is preventing him and his followers from contributing any constructive help whatever to the urgent social, economic and educational problems which face us. The Sinn Fein Party, for example, has elaborated an excellent programme of social reform. They dare not publish it lest those who wield the effective political power (which they reject) should appropriate it and carry it into effect. Surely such a ridiculous position calls for serious consideration in the interests of the country, which should be paramount to those of a party?

"Mr. De Valera thinks that my proposal for a truce means that he and his followers 'should go for ten years into a Sleepy Hollow.' Even if it did, would it not be better than their present futile somnambulism, which the country regards as a nightmare? But my proposal means nothing of the kind. It was made for the purpose of giving the Sinn Fein Party a chance of doing something positive, helpful, and constructive for the country. I even said that it would be 'the bravest and greatest thing ever done by Irishmen for Ireland.' It would involve considerable moral courage and disinterested patriotism.

"How many more elections will convince Mr. De Valera that the majority of the electors will not endorse his present vague Utopian programme? If, and when, he is convinced, will he not realise that he is simply thwarting the national and economic development of the country; that he is hampering business by the continual menace of instability; that he is alienating the thousands of national-minded voters who decline to associate their ideals with a policy which they regard as suicidal?

"A truce would enable him and his followers to exert a decisive influence on the *personnel* of the Dail. They could give up their present Rip Van Winkle Republicanism and help to create an Ireland, which would be morally, socially, nationally, and economically fit to be a Republic.

"Mr. De Valera refuses to allow us to find stability in that direction. If this be his final answer—let us hope it is not—then there is only one effective answer to a minority which deliberately threatens a country with instability in the hope of coercing the majority. I trust that the electors will give that answer."

BROADCASTING.

TO-DAY.

The letters "S.B." signify a Simultaneous Broadcast from the station mentioned.

LONDON (2LO)—365 Metres.
1.0-2.0—Time (Greenwich). Concert: "2LO" Trio and J. W. Gledhill (tenor). 3.15-3.45—Transmission to Schools. 4.0-4.30 — Children. 4.30-5.0—Organ. 5.30-6.15—Children. 7.0—Time (Big Ben), Weather and News. S.B. to all stations. Local News. 7.30—Wynne Ajello (soprano), Dale Smith (baritone), Charles Wreford (Devonshire dialect entertainer), George Stockwin and Fred Beck (entertainers), the Wireless Orchestra. 9.30—Time (Greenwich), Weather and News. S.B. to all stations. Local News. 10.0—Orchestra. 10.35—Close.

CHELMSFORD (5XX)—1,600 Metres (High-Power Station).
5.30-6.15—Children. 6.40-10.30—London.

BIRMINGHAM (5IT)—475 Metres.
3.30-4.30 — Orchestra. Lilian Aston (soprano). 5.0-5.30—Women. 5.30-6.45—Children. 7.0—Weather and News. Local News. 7.30—German Lecture. 8.0 — Station Orchestra. Isabel Tebbs (soprano), Winifred Morris (contralto), Stanley Pinchett (tenor), Alice Couchman (solo pianoforte), Percy Owens (entertainer). 9.30—Weather and News. Local News. 10.0—Concert (continued). 10.30—Close.

BOURNEMOUTH (6BM)—385 Metres.
3.0-3.30—Educational. 3.45-5.0—Dance Orchestra. George Stone (entertainer). 5.0-6.30—Children. 7.0 —Weather and News. Local News. 7.30—Wireless Augmented Orchestra. A. F. Cramer (guitar), Osmond Davis (tenor), Mary Shaw (soprano). 9.0—"The Mirror." 9.30—Weather and News. Local News. 10.0—Concert. 10.30—Close.

CARDIFF (5WA)—351 Metres.
3.0-3.30—Transmission to Schools. 3.30-4.0—The Station Trio. 4.45-5.15 — "5WA'S" "Five O'Clocks." 5.15-6.0—Children. 7.0—Weather and News. Local News. 7.30—Bristol Glee Singers. Percy Lewis (solo violoncello), Charles Thomas (entertainer), Humorous selections. Alf Parkman. 9.30—Weather and News. Local News. 10.0—John Steel (entertainer), Vera McComb Thomas (solo pianoforte). 10.30—Close.

MANCHESTER (2ZY)—375 Metres.
12.30-1.30—Organ. 3.0-3.30—4.0-4.30—Concert by the "2ZY" Quartet. 3.30-4.0—Broadcast for Schools. 4.30-5.0—Women. 5.0-6.0—Children. 6.40-6.55—Farmers. 7.0 — Weather and News. Local News. 7.30—William Michael (baritone), the "2ZY" Orchestra, the "2ZY" Mermaid Club. 9.30— Weather and News. Local News. Station director's talk. 10.5—William Michael. 10.20—"The Dear Departed." 10.30—Close.

NEWCASTLE (5NO)—400 Metres.
3.45-5.15 — Ivy Smithson (elocutionist), Harry Shuttleworth (bass), Tom Brennan (solo euphonium). 5.15-6.30 — Children. 6.35-6.50—Farmers. 7.0—Weather and News. Local News. 7.30—Ruby Helder (the Lady Tenor), Deborah Volar and Brindley Twain (entertainers), John Steel (illustrations of Tyneside dialect), the Station Orchestra. 9.30—Weather and News. Local News. Station announcements. 10.0 — Other stations. 10.30—Close.

GLASGOW (5SC)—420 Metres.
3.30-4.0—Broadcast to Schools. 4.0-5.0—Wireless Quartet, Emmeline Faulin (solo pianoforte). 5.15-6.0—Children. 6.0-6.5—Weather for farmers. 6.40-6.55—Agricultural Talk. 7.0—Weather and News. Local News. 7.30-8.30—Pianoforte Lecture Recital by Professor Tovey. 8.30—Station Orchestra. Ninian MacWhannell. Agnes Innes (contralto). 9.30—Weather and News. Local News. 10.0—Orchestra. 10.30—Close.

LIVERPOOL (6LV)—315 Metres.
3.15-3.45—Transmission to Schools. 4.0-5.0—Band. 5.30-6.30—Children. 7.0-7.30—Programme S.B. from London. 7.30—Doris Gambell (soprano), Philip Wise (tenor), the Station Orchestra. 9.30-10.0—Programme S.B. from London. 10.0—Orchestra. 10.30—Close.

BELFAST (2BE)—435 Metres.
11.30-12.30 — Gramophone. 3.30-5.30—School Transmission. 4.0-5.0—"2BE" Quintet. 5.30-6.15—Children. 7.0—Weather and News. S.B. from London. Local News. 7.30—Eda Bennie (soprano), Olly Oakley (solo banjo), and Julia Larkin, Ernest A. A. Stoneley (violinist), George Clarke (solo clarionet), the Station Orchestra. March, "Merrie England" (German). [illegible] (Amers). 9.30—Weather and News. London. Local News. 10.0—Ernest A. A. Stoneley. Orchestra; Suite, Polonaise in A (Wieniawski). Patrol, "The B'hoys of Tipperary" (Amers). 10.30—Close.

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ASTRONOMICAL NOTES FOR FEBRUARY.

THE RECENT ECLIPSE.

FROM OUR ASTRONOMICAL CORRESPONDENT.

THE PLANETS:—

Both Mercury and Venus are too near the Sun to be observed this month. The latter has withdrawn herself from view for a long time, and will not be in a favourable position for the observer again till November and December next.

Mars, in Aries, is still a conspicuous object in the evening sky. He is moving below the principal stars of Aries, and is approaching the Pleiades, near which he will pass next month.

Jupiter is an object for the early bird, rising at 5 a.m. in the middle of the month. He is in Sagittarius, and will not be well placed for the Northern hemisphere this year, nor even next.

Saturn rises at midnight in the middle of February, and will be moderately well placed for observation during the Spring to come. He is in Libra, and at a stationary point on the 22nd.

THE MOON:—

Full Moon on the 8th at 9.49 p.m.
Last Quarter on the 16th at 9.41 a.m.
New Moon on the 23rd at 2.12 a.m.

There will be a partial Eclipse of the Moon on the evening of the 8th at a convenient hour for observation by the man in the street. That is to say, the eclipse begins at 8.9 p.m. on Sunday, the 8th, is at its greatest phase at 9.42 p.m., and ends at 11.15 p.m.. At the greatest phase about three-quarters of the Moon will be in the shadow of the Earth. The eclipse will thus be visible throughout in Great Britain and Ireland, unlike most of the eclipses of the Moon in late years.

This eclipse is the regular sequel to the eclipse of the Sun on January 24th, according to the rule that an eclipse of the Sun is usually preceded or followed by an eclipse of the Moon within the fortnight; while a total eclipse of the Moon is always preceded or followed by an eclipse of the Sun within that time, and sometimes both preceded and followed thereby.

An interesting circumstance of this eclipse, and one which may be a very long time in recurring, is that there will be two occultations of moderately bright stars during the eclipse, and one of the planet Neptune immediately after it. The stars are seven and eleven Leonis. The times of disappearance at Greenwich are 10.8 and 11.28 p.m., respectively. That of Neptune will be fifteen minutes after midnight.

There will be an occultation of Aldebaran on the 2nd from 11.54 p.m. to 12.47 a.m. On the same evening the stars 70 and 75 Tauri are occulted—disappearances at 5.5 and 6.57 p.m., respectively. All these should be looked for earlier in Ireland to make sure of seeing them.

THE SUN:—

The recent Eclipse was favoured with good weather conditions in the North, both in Great Britain and Ireland, but very much the reverse in the South. A small depression lay over the South of Ireland, bringing rain as far North as Dublin. In Armagh the extreme North edge of the depression showed as a low bank of cirrho-stratus cloud in the S.W., into which the Sun descended before the middle of the eclipse. In Belfast the S.W. horizon was almost clear, and all the important phases of the eclipse were followed with ease. The *Belfast Telegraph*, in particular, is to be congratulated on its success in photographing the phenomenon, with an ordinary Press camera. Might I suggest an attempt to photograph the lunar eclipse on the 8th in a like manner? A longer exposure would be required, but one or two seconds ought to be sufficient, and in this time the effect of the motion of the heavens would be negligible.

THE STARS:—

Positions for midnight on February 1st; 11 p.m. February 15th; 10 p.m. March 2nd: Hydra, Cancer, and Lynx are on the Meridian: all inconspicuous groups, the brightest star near the Meridian being Alpha Hydrae, or Al Fard, a red star of the third magnitude, also called Cor Hydrae. The brilliant Winter groups have moved off to the West, where Orion still reigns supreme, accompanied by Canis Major, Canis Minor, Gemini, Taurus, and Auriga. Bright stars in this quarter are Sirius, Betelgeuse, Rigel, Procyon, Pollux, Capella, and Aldebaran. These are first magnitude or more. Of the second magnitude there are a dozen or more, including Castor, the three stars of Orion's Belt, and his left shoulder and right foot, Beta Aurigae, Beta Tauri, Alpha Arietis, Beta, Delta, Epsilon and Eta, Canis Majoris, and Gamma Geminorum.

East of the Meridian are Leo, Virgo, Corvus and Crater. Bootes and Corona are in the N.E. Serpens and Hercules are rising. Almost due North, Deneb shines over the rim of the horizon, with Vega a little to the East. Part of the Great Bear is overhead. The stars on the East of the Pole belong to Draco and the Lesser Bear, those on the West to Cassiopeia and Cepheus. The curve of the Milky Way runs from the North point of the horizon nearly to that directly opposite, passing, on its way, through Cepheus, Cassiopeia, Perseus, Auriga and Gemini.

OBJECTS FOR A SMALL TELESCOPE.

In the absence of the Moon, at present the sky before midnight contains no planets which a small telescopic power can deal with. The possessor, therefore, of an instrument of moderate pretensions must devote himself to stars and nebulae, if he is not to remain idle. Orion contains an astonishing profusion of attractive objects. As says the poet:—

Orion's beams! Orion's beams!
His star-gemmed belt and shining blade,
His isles of light, his silvery streams,
And gloomy gulfs of mystic shade.

The writer must have had the Great Nebula in mind when he penned the last two lines, for they just describe it. Even a two-inch telescope will show this marvellous object, and the quadruple star around which it is grouped—the last star but one in the sword-blade. All the stars in the sword will repay examination. Sigma, the first in the blade, is sextuple. Rigel is a fine double, the small companion a fine test for a small glass. All three stars in the Belt are double, Zeta, the lowest, being a close pair of a very peculiar colour. Lambda, the top of the head, and Eta, are also doubles, and there are many others.

When the photographic plate takes up the tale, the isles of light and silvery streams, the gloomy gulfs of shade, are multiplied indefinitely. Near Zeta is the extraordinary "Horse's Head" nebula: an extensive nebulosity, with a jet black gap in it shaped like the head of a horse, evidently a cloud of opaque matter.

Other easy doubles are Castor, Gamma Leonis (the second brightest star in the Sickle), Eta Geminorum, Mizar in the Great Bear's Tail, and Gamma Ceti. The variable star, Mira, or Omicron Ceti, in the same group with Gamma, is now near its maximum, and should be found and noted for future watching. In a few weeks it will become invisible to the naked eye.

WILLIAM F. A. ELLISON.

Armagh Observatory.

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HELP FROM RUSSIA?

MR. LARKIN'S LATEST.

Mr. James Larkin, at the Dublin Mansion House last night, addressed a demonstration "to pay tribute to the memory of Lenin." He urged his hearers to unite in a Workers' Alliance for the overthrow of capitalism in Ireland and the establishment of a Workers' Republic. He bemoaned the ignorance of the mass of Irish workers, and said that they had the right sentiment, but did not respond intelligently when called upon to act.

Mr. Larkin stated that only a week ago Russia sent £200 to the fund for the Irishmen in jail. Russia had heard that there was a famine in the West, and they wanted to know how they could help.

Mr. Bob Stewart (Scotland), who also spoke, said that they would be foolish to seek the truth about Leninism in the capitalist Press of Dublin. The only thing that they could rely upon being true in a capitalist newspaper was the date.

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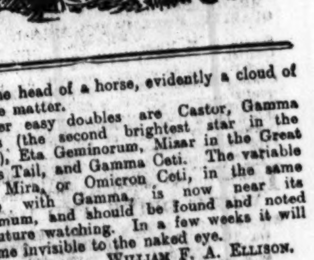

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SAORSTAT EIREANN.
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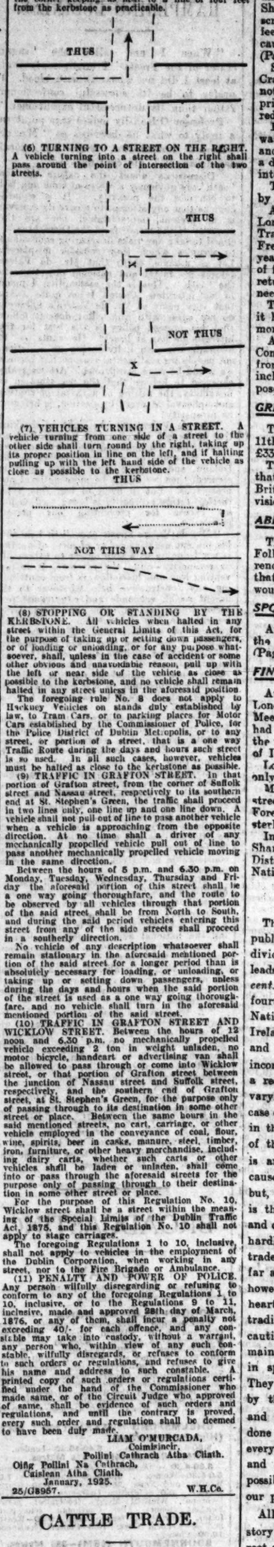
NOTICE is hereby given that, in pursuance of the powers conferred on me by the above Act, I, Liam O'Murcada, Commissioner of Police for the Police District of Dublin Metropolis, intend to revoke Regulation 12, made and approved under above Act, the 26th day of March, 1876, and instead thereof to have made the Regulations herein after set forth, and intend to submit the same at the earliest opportunity for approval by the Circuit Judge in and for the County of the City of Dublin, sitting in open Court.
(Signed)
LIAM O'MURCADA, Coimisinéir,
Póilini Cathrach, Atha Cliath.
Oifig Póilini Na Cathrach,
Caisleán Atha Cliath,
25th January, 1925.

Regulation 12, made and approved 28th day of March, 1876, under Dublin Traffic Act, 1875, is hereby revoked, and the following Regulations made, instead thereof.
The Commissioner of Police for the Police District of Dublin Metropolis, by virtue of the powers conferred on him under the provisions of the Dublin Traffic Act, 1875, and with the approval of the Circuit Judge for the County of the City of Dublin hereby revokes Regulation 12, made and approved the 28th day of March, 1876, under authority of Dublin Traffic Act, 1875, and instead thereof, with the assent of the Town Council of the City of Dublin, and with the approval of the said Circuit Judge for the County of the City of Dublin, substitutes the following Regulations for the better management of the Traffic of the City of Dublin.

REGULATIONS.
(1) VEHICULAR TRAFFIC. HOW TO PROCEED. Vehicles of every description whatsoever, proceeding at a walking pace, shall, unless otherwise directed by the Police, keep within the General Limits of this Act, shall keep strictly in line to the left-hand side of the street, and within four feet of the kerbstone where possible.
Other vehicles, whose average rate of speed does not exceed 12 miles per hour, including push bicycles, passing the Traffic as heretofore mentioned, shall do so by the right or off side, and keeping at a distance of four feet from such slow-moving Traffic, and shall at all times after passing same, and when there is no obstacle to so doing, pull in to the left, and drive strictly in line within four feet of the kerbstone.
Traffic, the average speed of which exceeds 12 miles per hour, shall also proceed strictly in line on the left centre of the street where possible. The number of Traffic lines in any street within the General Limits of this Act shall not be more than the width of the street will admit of, allowing a clear space of four feet between each line, and keeping within a distance of four feet from the kerbstone.
(2) VEHICLES PASSING TRAMCARS. All vehicles, including push bicycles, within the General Limits of this Act, shall pass Tramcars on the side found most practicable, due regard being had to the position of the tram rails and width between the tramcar and the kerbstone, and the actual amount of Traffic coming in the opposite direction. No vehicles, including push bicycles, shall pass a stationary Tramcar on the near or left side while such car is stationary for the purpose of taking up or setting down passengers, unless a clear space of six feet is left between the right or off side of such vehicle, and the left or near side of the Tramcar in so passing, and every precaution taken by drivers to ensure the safety of foot passengers. motor drivers strictly complying with Section 1, Motor Car Act, 1903.
(3) VEHICLES COMING FROM, OR GOING TO SIDE STREETS CROSSING BRIDGES, OR APPROACHING CORNERS. All vehicles coming from a side street, or going into one, approaching corners, or passing over bridges within the General Limits of this Act, shall proceed slowly, and shall diminish their speed to a safety rate, so as not to endanger foot passengers, or collide with other vehicles.
(4) DRIVERS TO INDICATE DIRECTION. Drivers of all vehicles, including push bicycles, are to make use of the following signals when driving any vehicle within the General Limits of this Act:—
"I am going to stop." Hold the right forearm and hand (or dummy arm) vertical, palm turned to the front.
"I am going to turn to the right." Extend the right arm and hand (or dummy arm) horizontally straight out from the off-side of the vehicle, palm turned to the front.
"I am going to turn to the left." Extend the right arm and hand horizontally, straight out from the off-side of the vehicle, and then carry them forward and backwards towards the near side with a circular sweep on a level with the shoulder, or extend the left arm horizontally in line with the shoulder.
"I am going to slow down." Extend the right arm and hand horizontally straight out from the off side of the vehicle, with the palm turned downwards, and move the arm slowly up and down.
"Cycle past me on my right." Extend the right arm and hand below the level of the shoulder, and move them backwards and forwards.
"I am going straight ahead." Drivers when approaching a corner and going straight ahead should extend the right arm to the front in line with the shoulder.
In case of horse-drawn vehicles, if the driver carries a whip, the "stop" and "turning" signals should be given as follows:—"I am going to stop." Raise the whip vertically with the arm extended above the right shoulder. "I am going to turn." Rotate the whip above the head; turn incline the whip to the right or left to show the direction in which the turn is to be made.



(8) STOPPING OR STANDING BY THE KERBSTONE. All vehicles when halted in any street within the General Limits of this Act, for the purpose of taking up or setting down passengers, or of loading or unloading, or for any purpose whatsoever, shall, unless in the case of accident or some other obvious and unavoidable reason, pull up with the left or near side of the vehicle as close as possible to the kerbstone, and no vehicle shall remain halted in any street unless in the aforesaid position.
The foregoing rule No. 8 does not apply to Hackney Vehicles on stands duly established by law, to Tram Cars, or to parking places for Motor Cars established by the Commissioner of Police, for the Police District of Dublin Metropolis, or to any street, or portion of a street, that is a one way Traffic Route during the days and hours such street is so used. In all such cases, however, vehicles must be halted as close to the kerbstone as possible.
(9) TRAFFIC IN GRAFTON STREET. In that portion of Grafton street, from the corner of Suffolk street and Nassau street, respectively to the southern end at St. Stephen's Green, the traffic shall proceed in two lines only, one line up and one line down. A vehicle shall not pull out of line to pass another vehicle when a vehicle is approaching from the opposite direction. At no time shall a driver of any mechanically propelled vehicle pull out of line to pass another mechanically propelled vehicle moving in the same direction.
Between the hours of 5 p.m. and 6.30 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday the aforesaid portion of this street shall be in a one way going thoroughfare, and the route to be observed by all vehicles through that portion of the said street, shall be from North to South, and during the said period vehicles entering this street from any of the side streets shall proceed in a southerly direction.
No vehicle of any description whatsoever shall remain stationary in the aforesaid mentioned portion of the said street for a longer period than is absolutely necessary for loading, or unloading, or taking up or setting down passengers, unless during the days and hours when the said portion of the street is used as a one way going thoroughfare, and no vehicle shall turn in the aforesaid mentioned portion of the said street.
(10) TRAFFIC IN GRAFTON STREET AND WICKLOW STREET. Between the hours of 12 noon and 2.30 p.m. no mechanically propelled vehicle exceeding 2 ton in weight unladen, no motor bicycle, hackney or advertising van shall be allowed to pass through or come into Wicklow street, or that portion of Grafton street between the junction of Nassau street and Suffolk street, respectively, and the southern end of Grafton street, at St. Stephen's Green, for the purpose only of entering through to its destination in some other street or place. Between the same hours in the said mentioned streets, no cart, carriage, or other vehicle employed in the conveyance of coal, flour, wine, spirits, beer in casks, manure, steel, timber, iron, furniture, or other heavy merchandise, including dairy carts, whether such carts or other vehicles shall be laden or unladen, shall come into or pass through the aforesaid streets for the purpose only of passing through to their destination in some other street or place.
For the purpose of this Regulation No. 10, Wicklow street shall be a street within the General Limits of the Special Limits of the Dublin Traffic Act, 1875, and this Regulation No. 10 shall not apply to stage carriages.
The foregoing Regulations 1 to 10, inclusive, shall not apply to vehicles in the employment of the Dublin Corporation, when working in any street, nor to the Fire Brigade or Ambulance.
(11) PENALTY AND POWER OF POLICE. Any person wilfully disregarding or refusing to conform to any of the foregoing Regulations 1 to 10, inclusive, or to the Regulations 9 to 11, inclusive, made and approved 28th day of March, 1876, or any of them, shall incur a penalty not exceeding 40/- for each offence, and any constable may take into custody, without a warrant, any person within view of any such constable, wilfully disregards, or refuses to conform to such order or regulation, and refuses to give his name and address to such constable. A printed copy of such orders or regulations certified under the hand of the Commissioner who made same, or of the Circuit Judge who approved of same, shall be evidence of such orders and regulations, and until the contrary is proved, every such order and regulation shall be deemed to have been duly made.
LIAM O'MURCADA,
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January, 1925.
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CATTLE TRADE.
A JOINT CONFERENCE of ALL-IRELAND CATTLE TRADE ASSOCIATIONS will be held on MONDAY NIGHT NEXT, the 2nd FEBRUARY, at the CONCILIATION HALL, CHARLES, at 8 o'clock p.m., when Representatives from all parts of Ireland will attend, and matters of vital importance to the Trade will be discussed.
CHARLES CULHANE, Esq., Thurles, will Preside.
All Members of the Trade are invited.
T. L. SMYTH, Chairman, Irish Cattle Traders' and Stock Owners' Association, Dublin.
P. J. BUCKLEY, Chairman, Irish Cattle Trade Association, Cork.
W. MURPHY, Chairman, South of Ireland Cattle Trade Association, Cork.
H. CASSIDY, Chairman, Cattle Exporters' Association, Dublin.

WAR MEMORIAL
TO THE SOLDIERS AND SAILORS FROM DROGHEDA AND DISTRICT WHO FELL IN THE GREAT WAR, 1914-1918.
A Subscription List has now been opened for the purpose of raising a fund to erect a Memorial to the soldiers and sailors from Drogheda and District who fell in the Great War, 1914-1918. Intending subscribers are urgently requested to send in their subscriptions as soon as convenient. Subscriptions will be received by any of the Banks in Drogheda, or members of the Committee, or by the Honorary Treasurers, Messrs. Luke J. Hoock, Laurence street, Drogheda, and Robert Webster, Shop street, Drogheda.
Committee:
THE EARL OF FINGALL, President.
Colonel Hall, George Smyth, Dulock House, Co. Meath.
Major J. Cairnes, The Glen, Drogheda.
F. G. Grindrod, Esq., Parade Row, Drogheda.
P. Tallan, Esq., Fair street, Drogheda.
J. Davis Poe, Esq., and West street, Drogheda.
Captain Codrington, Oldwelder, Drogheda.
F. Boylan, Esq., Hilltown, Drogheda.
Colonel Thornhill, Abbey House, Drogheda.
Rankin Matthews, Esq., Mountbanover, Drogheda.
J. C. McKeever, Esq., Mill Grove, Co. Meath.
Mrs. Tuthill, Linden, Drogheda.
Mrs. Hall, Palace street, Drogheda.
Mrs. Rudd, Oriel Temple, Collon.
Mrs. O'Connor, Charleville, Dunleer.
Mrs. Cairnes, Stamford, Drogheda.
Mrs. Fay, Mellifont Abbey, Drogheda.
F. J. Smith, Esq., Coney Hill, Drogheda.
F. C. McKeever, Esq., Bettystown House, Drogheda.
C. N. McCamy, Esq., Bayview House, Drogheda.
Thomas Byrne, Esq., Dulock Gate, Drogheda.
M. Keery, Esq., Bredin street, Drogheda.
E. Kelly, Esq., Patrick street, Drogheda.
R. Splain, Esq., Bourne place, Drogheda.
JOHN FOLEY, Hon. Secretary,
No. 3 Duke street, Drogheda.

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FRIDAY, JANUARY 30, 1925.

NEWS SUMMARY.

IRELAND.

Mr. William Dinan, President, at the annual meeting of the Cork Chamber of Shipping and Commerce, yesterday described high taxation and the resultant feeling of insecurity as disconcerting causes of the present trade depression.—(Page 8.)

Speaking at Belfast yesterday, Sir James Craig said that there must be rigid economy not only in public expenditure, but in private expenditure, if there was to be a reduction in taxation.—(Page 7.)

In the Free State Senate yesterday there was a debate on the cost of constructing and maintaining roads.—(Page 5.)

a danger of an overflow of heathen Asiatics into the white man's territory.—(Page 3.)

The danger to Irish hunting is discussed by our Special Correspondent.—(Page 7.)

At a meeting which he addressed in London yesterday, Mr. R. A. Whyte, Chief Trade and Produce Officer of the Irish Free State in Great Britain, said that last year the Irish Free State sent £48,000,000 of food to Britain and bought from her in return about seventy per cent. of its total needs.—(Page 7.)

The Boundary Commission states that it hopes to hear evidence in Ireland in a month.—(Page 7.)

At the sitting of the Greater Dublin Commission yesterday evidence was taken from Blackrock of its objection to being included within the boundaries of the proposed enlarged city.—(Page 5.)

GREAT BRITAIN.

The total amount collected on November 11th last for Earl Haig's Fund was £330,000.—(Page 7.)

The British Home Secretary points out that the fears that aliens can enter Great Britain *via* Ireland without any supervision are groundless.—(Page 7.)

ABROAD.

The situation in Tangier is again grave. Following the news that Raisuli has surrendered to the Riffs comes the report that 400 tribesmen have been killed and wounded in a Spanish air raid.—(Page 7.)

SPORTING.

At Plumpton yesterday Piccolisko won the Street Handicap Hurdle Race.—(Page 10.)

FINANCIAL.

At the meeting of the National Bank in London yesterday the Chairman (Mr. Meers, C.B.) announced that the Bank had decided to grant 2,000 guineas towards the relief of distress in the West and South of Ireland.—(Page 4.)

London Stock Markets were steady, with only a small business passing.—(Page 11.)

Money was again very dear in Lombard street, and loans ran up to 4½ per cent. Foreign Exchanges were dullish, with sterling not quite so firm.—(Page 11.)

In Dublin the market was firm. Guinness Shares strong, and 2 up at 51½. Dublin Distillers weak—6s. 3d. lower at 41s. 3d. National Loan rose to 94.—(Page 11.)

Banks and Trade.

The Irish bank reports, now before the public, tell a common story of high dividends. The Munster and Leinster leads the way with twenty *per cent.*; then comes the Provincial with fourteen and a half, followed by the National with thirteen, and the Bank of Ireland and the Hibernian with thirteen and ten *per cent.* respectively, both free of income tax. Deposits, on the whole, show a reduction. They have shrunk by sums varying from one million pounds in the case of the National Bank to half a million in that of the Hibernian; but in the case of the Munster and Leinster Bank there is an increase of nearly £600,000. The causes of the reductions are various; but, undoubtedly, the most important is the decline in the nation's industrial and commercial prosperity. Bank deposits hardly can be expected to rise in face of a trade deficit of nearly £17,000,000. So far as the banks themselves are concerned, however, they must be congratulated heartily on the results of the year's trading. Their policy has been necessarily cautious, but they have managed to maintain their credit at a high level in spite of very formidable difficulties. They have been hit by taxation, by the general insecurity of the times, and by the very bad harvest, which has done so much harm to the country in every way. Yet they continue to flourish, and their balance sheets offer the best possible reply to the doleful forebodings of our professional pessimists.

All the bank reports tell the same story: agricultural depression is at the root of most of our economic evils. Whatever manufacturing industries this country may possess now, or in the future, the nation's wealth will continue to be derived from the land, and a bad harvest is almost as dangerous as a political revolution. Free State agriculture is in sore difficulties. Not only has the unfavourable weather played havoc with the crops, but cattle prices have fallen, and generally the export trade to Britain is becoming less and less lucrative. High taxation and high wages are largely responsible for this condition of affairs. An Irish farmer cannot compete on equal terms with a Dane or a Dutchman who pays half his amount of taxation and can get efficient labour at a far lower rate than that which must be paid in Ireland. Naturally, therefore, Irish produce is losing its place of pride in the British market, and Irish cattle no longer can command a premium in Liverpool and Glasgow. This country has been trying to run counter to all the laws of political economy during the past five or six years, and now the penalty is being paid. Despair, however, would be madness. There is a prospect of some relief from taxation, and a really good harvest this year would make an enormous difference to the earnings of agriculture. Every day the stability of the Free State is growing; the reign of law gradually is asserting itself throughout the country, and, as soon as the nine impending by-elections are over, the position of the present Government ought to become absolutely safe.

Only through the co-operation of the Government with the banks can the economy of the Free State be placed on a firm footing. The caution of the banks during the last few years has been due largely to the uncertainty of the Government's policy; and if the Executive Council had taken the public fully into its financial confidence, money probably would not have been nearly so "tight" as it has been in the last twelvemonth. The banks are anxious to do their best for trade—since, after all, they depend on it for their profits—but they cannot be expected to take the slightest risks until they know exactly where the Government stands. We hope that Mr. Blythe's Budget will clear the air, and that it will show not only that the Government means to reduce taxation, but also that it has decided to abandon its foolish experiments in "protective" tariffs, which have virtually no protective value and merely act as irritating impositions on the taxpayer. There can be no real revival of trade in Ireland until the banks give the signal. Small, and even big, traders cannot continue to "carry on" indefinitely without accommodation from the banks, and we are quite sure that such accommodation will be given without stint if, and when, the Government decides to set its financial house in order. So long as traders are being forced to borrow money from the banks to pay their income tax, however, very little can be done. Banks are not philanthropic institutions, and they will not—indeed, they dare not—relax their vigilant control of money until the Government takes the first step in the direction of financial reform.

Distress in the West.

The poor peasants of Western Ireland find themselves under a new obligation to Lady Dudley's nurses. The public in general knew little of their hapless plight until the meeting in Dublin, a fortnight ago, when urgent appeals on behalf of the nurses' work were made by the Governor-General of the Free State, the Earl of Mayo and other speakers. As we had anticipated, the country was not slow to respond. Many gifts of money and clothing have reached the Nurses' Fund—inadequate, indeed, to the grave necessity, but sufficient to enable the nurses to maintain and, perhaps, to extend their task of mercy during the next few weeks. Furthermore, three of our leading banks have made generous contributions to the relief of distress in the South and West, and the expenditure of some part of this money will be directed from the headquarters of Lady Dudley's Fund. It is certain that, now that the need is understood, continuous help will be afforded by our more prosperous citizens; and it is probable that help will come also from many warm-hearted people in Great Britain, where the newspapers have begun to publish sympathetic reports of the distress. In these circumstances it is very desirable that some full, authentic and impartial account of the situation on the Western and Southern seaboard shall be laid before the country without further delay. Where knowledge is incomplete or uncertain rumour fills the gaps, and any exaggeration of the trouble would be not less injurious than a tendency to depreciate it. Unhappily, there can be no doubt that the distress is bitter and exists throughout a wide area: and its causes are well-known. They include a bad potato harvest, the fall of cattle prices, the reduced demand for migratory labour and—culminating and unforeseen calamity—the failure of the turf crop. To hunger, with which those sad districts are familiar, has been added the sore trial of empty hearths. There is acute suffering among women and children, and soon their famished bodies may be unable to resist the dread disease which lurks always in those rural slum areas—

as a lion, creeping nigher,
Glares at one that nods and winks behind a slowly dying fire.

We know, too, that the Free State Government is fighting the distress with all the means at its disposal. It is distributing coal and timber, is giving a daily meal to thousands of school children and has allocated a large sum for relief works. On the other hand, we do not know the precise extent of the distress or the varieties of its rigour in different areas—whether it is worst, for instance, in Connemara, in Kerry or in Clare. We do not know what machinery of distribution and of co-operation with local bodies the Government has substituted for the well-tested machinery of the British *régime*. No estimate has been given of the time during which the poverty and suffering are likely to be acute or of the amount with which the public must be asked to supplement the resources of the State. The Government ought to prepare and publish immediately a report which will give the country clear information on all these points. When the citizens know what is required of them they will have no excuse for failure to do their duty.

Paradisus.

The Dublin Zoological Gardens were visited by an unusually large number of people last year, and payments received from *Aonach Táilteann* for the use of the lake for swimming competitions swelled the receipts to the highest figure on record. Unhappily, a source from which the Royal Zoological Society derives an important part of its income in ordinary years showed most discouraging returns; for the number of members, on whose subscriptions the Society relies, decreased. We should like to see a much larger number of citizens interesting themselves in the Society and the Gardens by paying the small annual subscription and enjoying the benefits of membership. Too little do citizens realise how much pleasure and instruction the young people will derive from visits to our excellent "Zoo," and there are children who never have passed its turnstiles. Once within the Gardens, the little folk see wonder after wonder, and the lesson books seem to have come alive. Here, near the gate, are the hunched bison; here are the zebras, the giraffes, the great lions themselves, kingly although caged. The monkey-house, of course, is a favourite *pièce de résistance* in the afternoon's amusement. The feeding of the elephant is an adventure and a lesson in the strange relationship of service and friendship which has been established between some of the beasts and man. The talking birds, the terrifying bear that recalls the exploits of many a story-book hero, beautiful and rare creatures of many another species—all have their charm and help to fill the young mind with a conception of the marvellous variety and interest of the living creation. In those few acres there are tokens of the wide world. Many visits will not exhaust the fascination of the Gardens, but rather will deepen it, as knowledge of the habits and manners of the creatures is enriched by fresh observation. Here, then, is an institution which deserves in fullest measure the support and patronage of the public.

To Everest by Air.

Another stage in the development of aviation is marked by Mr. Alan Cobham's experimental survey of the Himalayas. Sir Sefton Brancker is planning an aerial service between Britain and India, and Cobham was his pilot in a remarkable flight, carried out without mishap, across Europe and Eastern Asia to Calcutta. With the adventurous enterprise of a true pioneer—and as lightly as a busy merchant might take a week-end railway trip—Mr. Cobham, having arrived at Calcutta, filled two idle days with a flight across a kingdom to view Mount Everest. In a few hours the aeroplane, which already had flown eight thousand miles, reached Jalpaiguri, near Darjeeling, where the aviator and a companion spent the night. On the morrow they plunged into the wild, magnificent mountain country which still baffles explorers. The mountains—crowded masses of snowy peaks which culminate in Everest, the summit of the world—rise steeply to heights of 29,000 feet. At a height of 12,000 feet, gazing on the natural marvels which never before had been seen from the air, and making photographic records which the world will admire, the travellers found difficulty in maintaining height and in breathing. Yet they forced the machine up even to an altitude of 17,000 feet, where the rarefied air was warm and sunny, far above the clouds. Mr. Cobham declares, as a result of his observations, that, with a specially constructed aeroplane, it may be possible to fly to the very roof of the world and to make a complete aerial survey of that prodigious range.

COURT AND PERSONAL.

According to present arrangements the King will remove the Court from Sandringham to Buckingham Palace next Tuesday.

It is announced authoritatively that "His Royal Highness Prince George is suffering from an attack of tonsilitis, but is going on very well." This reassuring statement has been issued as a result of many inquiries concerning the Prince's indisposition.

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The Prince of Wales, who will return to Craven Lodge this evening, dined with the President and members of the Law Society last night, and to-day will be present at the farewell luncheon given by the Pilgrims to Mr. Kellogg. Mrs. Kellogg held her last reception at Crewe House yesterday afternoon, when there was a very large attendance.

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Princess Victoria, who has derived much benefit from her stay at Lugano, left yesterday for the Riviera, and will visit her uncle, the Duke of Connaught, at Cap Ferrat, before she returns to England. Satisfactory reports have been received from Brechin respecting Lady Maud Carnegie, who is progressing favourably since she underwent an operation on Monday.

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Two Royal Princesses made their *début* this week. Princess Marie José, daughter of the King and Queen of the Belgians, made her first appearance at a Court ball on Wednesday night, when a brilliant entertainment was given in the Royal Palace at Brussels. There was a large attendance of the Belgian nobility and of the Diplomatic Corps, and the young Princess opened the ball with the British Ambassador, Sir George Grahame. At the Palace at The Hague, on an official dinner was given for Princess Juliana, only daughter of the Queen of the Netherlands, who, though not yet sixteen, may now take part in the various Court festivities.

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The Dowager Marchioness of Dufferin and Ava, the Countess of Bandon, Viscountess de Vesci, Lady Carson, Lady Charlotte Graham-Toler, Florence Lady Garvagh, Sir Richard Butler, Mrs. Skeffington Smyth and Mrs. A. M. Crichton were among those present at the reception held by Susan Duchess of Somerset in aid of the Southern Irish loyalists on Wednesday.

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Among the Irish guests at Lady Forbes-Robertson's reception to meet Princess Marie Louise were the Dowager Marchioness of Dufferin and Ava and Lady Hermione Blackwood, Lady Constance Butler, the Countess of Dunmoil, Lady Anderson and Lady Blood.

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The Countess of Cromer and Lady Rosemary Baring will return to London to-day from Switzerland. The Countess of Jersey and her son, the Earl of Jersey, are staying at Montreux. Viscountess Wimborne and the Hon. James and Lady Rachel Stuart are among the recent arrivals at St. Moritz.

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Candida Marchioness of Tweeddale is improving in health. Her daughter, Lady Clementina Waring, is staying with her at her house in London. Lord

LONDON LETTER.

THE BOUNDARY COMMISSION.

59 FLEET STREET, LONDON,

THURSDAY NIGHT.

The Irish Boundary Commission had a ong sitting this afternoon, and at its close ssued a statement concerning its plans or the immediate future. Sittings are o be resumed in Ireland, but not for ome weeks to come, and when they take lace they will be in different centres, tarting with the Eastern section of the oundary. Notice is to be given of the ittings, which will be private, when plans ave been completed for the taking of vidence.

Irish Distress.

The newspapers here are devoting coniderable attention to the conditions of istress prevailing in the West of Ireland wing to the statements made at the nnual meeting of the Irish banks with he mention of grants for assistance. Iuch sympathy is expressed with the ufferers, and the hope is general that verything possible will be done to secure lleviation. In this connection an evening aper sets forth what is being done by the ree State Government to meet the situaion. It is recognised fully that a potato nd turf famine is a very serious matter, ndeed, for Western Ireland.

he Liberal Leader.

All went well with Mr. Lloyd George t the Liberal Convention to-day, and he as able to take the wind out of the sails f his opponents with ease. He was not xpected to make a speech so early in the roceedings, but it was only at the last oment that it was decided that there hould be an opening function, with the esult that Mr. Lloyd George had his pportunity. He aroused a great outbreak f cheering when he declared that he uneservedly accepted the leadership of Mr. squith, and by the close of his speech e had secured the full sympathy of the athering. The function broke up with r. Asquith and Mr. Lloyd George haking hands warmly. At the secret ession which followed it was decided to efer the discussion on the basis of the lection of a party leader until to-morrow. here was, however, a strong disposition mong the delegates that the leadership f the party should be decided in a more emocratic manner than at present. The lection of a leader for the life of every parate Parliament by the Liberal embers of Parliament was the most voured plan.

he Naval Estimates.

It is rumoured that a great struggle is taking place between the Admiralty nd the Treasury over the Naval stimates, and the belief is that the Admiralty will win. Mr. W. C. Bridgeman, e First Lord of the Admiralty, is a very termined man, once he has made up s mind, while he has the full support his Sea Lords behind him; and, if ents bring about a threat of resignaon—a threat which generally decides the te of any very debatable estimate—it ill probably not be the Admiralty which ill be affected. Mr. Churchill is anxious save every penny possible, and the abinet as a body is with him; but in the se of the Admiralty he will be fortunate he escapes with a compromise.

lectrical Development.

Some members of the Government have nder consideration the possibility of ringing forward some big schemes for ectrical development. During the past w weeks two schemes based on different nes have been under examination by the epartments most concerned, and efforts e being made to arrange an early conerence with Lord Weir, with a view to coordination and the hope of settling upon n agreed policy. Sholud this come about, will be a question for the Cabinet to nsider whether time can be given in the ouse of Commons this session for legisation to give the scheme effect.

he L.C.C. Elections.

In Conservative circles a great struggle expected when the London County ouncil elections take place on Thursday, arch 5th. Some two million men and omen will be voting, and the contests ill be one between the moderates and ocialism and Communism. The Municipal Reform Party intend to put up a reat fight, declaring that, if the Socialists in, there will be higher rates to follow. hey pride themselves on the fact that uring the past three years they have cceeded in reducing the London County ouncil rate from 5s. 5d. to 4s. 1½d., and his in spite of the additional cost incurred r unemployment, housing and loss on ramways.

ord Claud Hamilton.

The Funeral Service of the late Lord laud Hamilton took place this morning t St. John's Church, Southwick Crescent, Paddington. The King was represented y Sir Sidney Greville, and the chief ourners were Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Flower, son-in-law and daughter; Master Peter Flower, the D 'e of Abercorn, the Dowager Duchess of Abercorn, Lord and Lady Ernest Hamilton, Lord Herbert Hamilton and Lord Frederick Hamilton. A guard of honour of the Grenadier Guards' section of the Old Comrades' Association, in which the late Lord Claud Hamilton was deeply interested, was present, while the music of the Service as accompanied by the band of the Grenadier Guards. The interment took lace afterwards at Richmond Cemetery.

The La'e Lord Grenfell.

The funeral of Field-Marshal Lord Grenfell on Saturday will be an imposing eremony, as is customary in the case of n officer of such high military rank. The ate Field-Marshal will be escorted to the rave by squadrons of cavalry and several attalions of infantry, with representative etachments of the Artillery and Air Force and several bands. The King's Royal Rifle Corps of the Veterans' Association will also attend the funeral nd form part of the *cortège*.

Railway Rates.

On Wednesday next there will be a meeting in London of the Railway Rates Tribunal, when the possibility of cheaper railway fares and rates will be discussed. The Tribunal has statutory power under the Railways Act of 1921 to fix the charges made by the four great combines. Every combine is entitled to an annual net revenue equal to that of 1913, with certain additions; and the Tribunal has to ascertain the revenue and expenditure of each to ensure that the combines shall receive their just profits, while the public is not over-charged. On Wednesday the Tribunal is to hear objections to the order of procedure in taking evidence In any event, should there be a reduction in railway fares, it is not likely to be effective unt next year.

Shingled Hair.

A new peril, brought about by shingled hair in conjunction with the *cloche* hat, has been discovered by the hairdressers. Many women have been wearing these small, close-fitting hats from early morning until night, and are now surprised to find that their shingled hair is coming out. The object in wearing the hat for so many hours has been to keep the shingled head ready for the evening, and it is pointed out that the shingled forget that the hair is now in many cases as thin as that of men, who would not think of wearing a tight-fitting hat all day. The hairdresser would welcome a return of the widebrimmed hat, and naturally so, since long hair and hair-dressing would be fashionable once again.

AIR BOMBS ON TAZRUT.

400 CASUALTIES REPORTED.

SPANISH ATTACK.

RAISULI GIVES IN TO THE RIFIS.

A "HOLY WAR."

PARIS, Thursday.

The following message has been received here from a French source in Tangier:—

"Raisuli is still at Tazrut, which was bombed by Spanish aviators on Tuesday. It would appear from French accounts that 400 tribesmen were killed or wounded in the attack. Hostilities against the Spaniards will probably be resumed at an early date."—(Reuter.)

RAISULI'S SURRENDER.

JOINS THE HOLY WAR AGAINST SPAIN.

FROM "THE TIMES" CORRESPONDENT.

TANGIER, Thursday.

Raisuli, the invincible, surrounded as he lay sick in his stronghold on the sacred mountain of Mulai-Abd-es-Salaam, and threatened with the enemy at his very gates, has sacrificed oxen to the attacking Rifis, and surrendered to the forces of Abdel Krim.

Now Raisuli has surrendered, and Tazrut, with its wealth in money, and its stores of war material—for the retreating Spaniards left much of their abandoned artillery there when they evacuated those regions in the late autumn—is in the hands of Abdel Krim's contingents.

Raisuli himself has proclaimed the Rifi leader as his supreme chief, and joined the "Holy War" against Spain. It is a moment of great import. Raisuli has fallen, and Spain's only influential friend in Morocco has joined the enemy. His great fortune, so much of it of Spanish origin, goes to fill the war chests of the Rifi leader, and will be used against the Spaniards.

Raisuli's prestige will now be exerted against his former friends. It is not the first time that he has changed his front, but never has the change had the importance it has now. He will, of course, blame the Spaniards for having deserted him. He never loved them, and can now be counted upon to hate them as the cause of his misfortune.

The native inhabitants of Tangier are profoundly impressed but already Abdel Krim's leaders have sent instructions to neighbouring tribes that no incident of any kind must occur in the Tangier zone. It is Abdel Krim's desire to prove by his correct attitude towards Tangier that his authority is supreme, and that he is actuated by friendly feelings towards England and France, and all other Powers, except Spain.

The situation is profoundly altered by this sudden crisis. The activities of Abdel Krim's partisans in the mountains are intense, and it would appear that all resistance to a renewal of a "Holy War" against Spain has disappeared. The position of Spaniards in Morocco is once more very seriously threatened.

Raisuli remains in his house at Tazrut under the guard of a strong contingent of Rifis. None of his property has been touched nor has his family been molested. The terms of his surrender were arranged personally by himself, with Ahmed Hariro, a young chieftain, who led the attack and was till lately a devoted adherent of Raisuli, but who left him after a quarrel. The terms, which are not known here, were sent to Abdel Krim, who is at Ajdir, in the Rif, for ratification.

What use Abdel Krim will make of Raisuli remains to be seen. Between the two no love is lost, for no confidence exists. This is Abdel Krim's greatest victory, with the exception, perhaps, of the annihilation of the Spanish Army in 1921. He remains alone and supreme in Northern Morocco.

Already the results are apparent, although the news was only received here to-day. The friends of Raisuli and of Spain among the Jabals have gone over to the enemy or are in flight. The chief of the Jibel Habib is a prisoner in the hands of the Rifis.

Zelal, the famous Kaid of the Beni Msoua, arrived at the frontier of the Tangier zone this morning with his family, and such of his property as he could transport, seeking safety. Angera, who were weakening before the Spanish advance, are massing again, and abandoning all work in the fields. Abdel Krim's leaders are scattering letters far and wide proclaiming their victory, and calling upon the tribes to continue the war against the Spaniards.

"The fire is relit, and the flames have burst out afresh. The mountain tribesmen who were tiring of the Rifis are now overawed, and consider Raisuli's downfall proof of Adbel Krim's Divine mission, and blindly accept his authority."

THE LAST LUCAN TRAM.

VILLAGERS SING "AULD LANG SYNE"

The Dublin and Lucan tram service, as it has existed for forty-one years, came to an end last night. The last car left Lucan for the city at 10.30. It departed with the regrets of the inhabitants, a number of whom assembled to see it off. There were some there who were in the crowd that welcomed the first tram into Lucan in 1883.

The last car was in charge of Driver E. Nolan, Conductor J. Lynch, and Inspector J. Gorman. The last-named has been in the service of the company for twenty-two years. Mr. James W. Hill, Chairman of the Board of Directors, and a director of the company since 1883, was present, with Mr. McDowall Grosart, the manager of the line, and many Dublin business men living in the valley of the Liffey who have been accustomed to travel by the cars in and out of town.

After flashlight photographs of the scene had been taken, the crowd sang "Auld Lang Syne." At Chapelizod a small crowd assembled to witness the passing of the tram.

As to the future of the line, there was no development yesterday, except that there was greater confidence on the part of the hundreds whom it served that the Government will step in to make it possible for the Dublin United Tramways Company to take over the service. Expression is given to the belief that the Government cannot allow this public service to be scrapped.

The whole question will be raised as a matter of urgency when the Dail meets next Tuesday.

SHANGHAI OCCUPIED.

15,000 CHINESE TROOPS IN POSSESSION.

SHANGHAI, Thursday.

Fifteen thousand troops belonging to the victorious army of Lu Yung-hsiang have arrived in Shanghai, and are in complete control of the city, which is quiet.—(Reuter.)

TROTSKY DISMISSED.

SUCCESSOR APPOINTED.

MOSCOW, Thursday.

The Central Executive Committee of the Soviet Republic has published a decree dismissing Trotsky from the post of Commissary for Army and Navy.

Michael Frunse, who has been appointed to succeed Trotsky, is the son of a Moldavian peasant, who assumed Russian nationality. He took part in the Moscow insurrection in 1905, and was twice condemned to death, but was finally sentenced to ten years' hard labour, in Siberia, from which he escaped. Since then he has been prominently connected with the revolutionary and Communist movements.—(Reuter.)

HUNTING IN IRELAND—I.

THE TRAPPING OF FOXES.

WHAT MASTERS OF THE HUNTS SAY.

BY OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.

Hunting folk of almost every county in the Free State share the fear, uttered in the *Irish Times* lately, that the future of fox-hunting here is jeopardised by the destruction of foxes. Only from the West is there no testimony as to this danger. We have it from Louth to Limerick, and from Westmeath to Waterford. From Cork and Tipperary it is especially plain.

The matter is of importance to every citizen of the Free State. The hunting folk can seek their hunting elsewhere if sport fails them here; but, if they go, they will take away a large slice of the business of the country.

It is to the good that those who control the Hunts are either Irishmen, bound to their homes by many ties which they will not readily loosen, or British sportsmen who are true friends of Ireland. They will not do less than their part to stem the trouble. Already, however, the upkeep of hunting costs them a great deal, and they cannot be expected to go on spending if sport fails. They count, too, on the support of visitors, and these have not the same ties, and will more easily fall away from Irish hunting.

The community will suffer loss in more than a material way if hunting goes down; but even on the money side anything that may injure hunting must give anxiety to us all. The evidence that we have received of a danger to fox-hunting deserves the careful attention of all classes in the Free State.

TRADE IN FOX SKINS.

Foxes are being destroyed by irresponsible persons for the sake of traffic in skins; and the consequent reduction of foxes available for sport is being noticed in the chief hunting counties. In some Hunts the results, as yet, are not great, but signs of a falling-off in the number of foxes are seen, and fears have been stirred that if the destruction goes on—or, worse, if extended—hunting may fail in all the counties within a few years.

"Parts of this country," writes the Master of the Wexford Hunt, Captain M. L. Lakin, D.S.O., "have undoubtedly suffered from the sale of fox-skins. Though, on the whole, I cannot complain that it has been carried on to the extent of doing fox-hunting much harm up to the present, no doubt, unless some steps are taken, we soon shall feel the effects of this traffic in foxes."

Captain A. S. Godfree, Carnew, Master of the Island Hunt, writes:—"I much regret to state that the practice is only too common in this county; and, what is worse, foxes are dug out in many parts of the country after being 'marked to ground' by the hounds. . . . In my opinion, hunting will be in a very precarious position in a few years if steps are not taken to combat the evil at once."

From the Kilkenny Hunt, Major Dermot McCalmont, the Master, writes, referring to the trapping of foxes for their skins:—"So far there has not been a great deal of this in the country over which my hounds hunt; but it is on the increase, and if allowed to continue unchecked will, in my opinion, absolutely kill fox-hunting throughout the Free State in less than five years. At the moment some hunting countries may be plentifully supplied with foxes, but this cannot last if things are permitted to go on as at present."

Another Master tells us:—"I lost a great number of foxes last spring, just about the time they should have had their cubs, and a number of my best coverts are now blank. If this goes on for another year, I shall have to sell my hounds; and that, of course, would be a great loss to the farmers, who train their horses with them."

The Honorary Secretary of one of the oldest Hunts in County Cork believes that the destruction of foxes by trapping and snaring is extensive. Foxes are gradually disappearing, he finds, and almost every fox killed by hounds this season has either a snare or snare mark on it.

HUNTING ABANDONED.

From the Midlands:—"I am sorry to say that it is very much carried on in part of this country; in fact, we had to give up hunting it owing to the want of foxes. The larger part of the country is well preserved by the farmers: it is the poachers who are the cause of all the trouble."

The Master of the Ballymacad Hunt—Captain William L. Naper, Oldcastle, Co. Meath—writes:—"As regards the county I hunt over, in parts of it this practice of destroying foxes for the sake of their skins is very prevalent—so much so that a fox cannot be marked to ground for fear of his being destroyed."

Thus, there is ample evidence that hunting in the districts where it is most important is being endangered. The people of all classes in those districts know the value to them of the upkeep of hunting. It is the thoughtless and irresponsible who are doing the damage; and there is danger that their doings may be imitated by others who, in spite of the ultimate profit, lose sight of the ultimate loss.

"The general feeling in that part of the country over which our hounds hunt is most cordial to fox-hunting," writes a Hunt officer in the South; "and, besides being lovers of the sport, the people are alive to the financial benefits derived therefrom The destruction of foxes in our part of the world is, therefore, due to the action of a few men or boys for the sake of the money they receive for the skins. . . . There are always a certain number of ne'er-do-wells in every country who do damage to the community and they are very hard to get at. If one could ensure that they would get no sale for the skins, I am very confident that very few foxes would be destroyed."

Here we touch on the question of a remedy. The question requires careful consideration, and we reserve it for a further article.

FREE STATE'S RULES OF COURT.

COMMITTEE'S ALL-DAY SITTING.

FROM OUR POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT.

It is, I learn, highly improbable that the final draft of the new rules of court for the High Courts of the Irish Free State will be ready before the end of another month. For a considerable time past the rule-making authority has been sitting regularly two or three times a week. For almost six and a half hours yesterday the members of the Committee sat in the Benchers' Chambers, Dublin Castle, virtually all the judges of the Supreme and High Courts being present.

Among other matters the rules will deal with pleading, practice and procedure generally, the use of the national language in the courts, the mode of address to be adopted by counsel, and the robes and official dress to be worn by judges and counsel.

The sittings of the High Courts, with the exception of the Criminal Court, were suspended yesterday to enable the members of the Committee to devote the greater part of the day to their work.

They met at 10.30, and the attendance included all the judges of the Supreme and High Courts, except Mr. Justice Johnston; Mr. A. A. Dickie, K.C. (in the place of Mr. Price, K.C., who was unable to be present); Mr. H. J. Moloney, Mr. Charles Bewley, and the Secretary of the Incorporated Law Society, Mr. James Moore.

The Committee will sit again to-day for two or three hours.

NORTHERN GOVERNOR'S RESIDENCE.

Mr. George Allen, J.P., agent for the Marquis of Downshire and his trustees, yesterday handed over possession of Hillsborough Castle and demesne to a representative of the Northern Ministry of Finance, who acted on behalf of His Majesty's Board of Works. The castle has been acquired as an official residence for the Governor of Northern Ireland.

EVIDENCE IN CAMERA.

PLANS OF BOUNDARY COMMISSION.

SITTINGS IN IRELAND IN A MONTH.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

LONDON, Thursday.

The following statement was issued by the Irish Boundary Commission this evening after the conclusion of the sitting:—

The Irish Boundary Commission held further meetings on January 28 and 29. Sittings are to be held in Ireland for the purpose of hearing evidence in support of the representations which have been received by the Commission. These sittings will begin as soon as the necessary arrangements can be made, probably in about a month's time.

The Commission will continue as hitherto to sit in private.

Where conflicting proposals concerning a particular region have been made in the representations received, and where it appears to the Commission that the progress of its inquiry would be facilitated if the bodies or groups submitting proposals in one sense were placed in a position to offer observations on the proposals offered in an opposing sense, the Commission will forward to the different bodies or groups concerned copies of the relevant representations.

Sittings will be held in different centres in order, so far as possible, to meet the convenience of the parties concerned. It is proposed, in the first instance, to deal with questions relating to the eastern section of the boundary.

Due notice will be given as to the places and dates at which witnesses will be heard. The Commission is in communication with the different bodies and groups concerned with regard to the arrangements for presentation of the evidence to be given on their behalf

DISTRESS IN THE NORTH.

NORTHERN GOVERNMENT ACTION.

FROM OUR BELFAST CORRESPONDENT.

Reports have appeared, alleging that the inhabitants of a certain district in Ulster are in a desperate plight, owing to the complete failure of the potato and oat crops, and the want of fuel, it is understood that a Northern Government inspector, who was despatched to the district, has furnished a report, and the Government are taking action on the basis of that report in conjunction with the local authorities.

The action taken, it is hoped, will help to meet any urgent cases of exceptional distress, and also possibly provide employment in the district on work of public utility.

WEXFORD SCHOONER IN TROUBLE.

GREYSTONES MEN'S PLUCKY EFFORT.

In the teeth of a gale and a strong sea, seven men from Greystones put off in a small boat to the assistance of the Wexford schooner Diolinda, which was in difficulties off the coast, and had sent out signals of distress. They could do little in the heavy sea which was running, and returned when the Wicklow lifeboat was called out.

The Diolinda, which is a three-masted schooner, of 500 tons, left Dublin on Wednesday evening with a cargo of guano for Wexford. When she had almost reached the entrance to the harbour yesterday morning, the gale was so strong that the captain thought it prudent to return to Kingstown for shelter. While the vessel was off Greystones, with flying jib, mainsail, and mizen up, and her motor running, the wind suddenly changed to north-west, and her sails were torn to pieces.

The captain dropped both anchors, but fearing that they would not hold flew signals of distress. It was then that the Greystones boat put off, manned by Messrs. Spurling (2), Doyle, Salmon, Whiston, Field, and Wark. In their little boat they were in great peril, and crowds of people on shore watched their plucky effort.

The Wicklow lifeboat arrived at 2 o'clock, and took off the captain, who telegraphed to Dublin for the tug Majestic, which arrived soon after 5 o'clock, and towed the Diolinda, on which there were five men, to safe anchorage.

POPPY DAY "RECORD."

£330,000 FOR EARL HAIG'S FUND.

It is officially announced that £330,000 was raised in response to Earl Haig's British Legion appeal on "Poppy Day" (November 11th last). The previous "record" was last year's collection of £259,000.

The amount collected in the Irish Free State was £3,500, of which Dublin contributed £1,700. In 1923 the Free State contributed £1,300.

THE BY-ELECTIONS.

PROBABLE DATE OF WRITS.

FROM OUR POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT.

Up to the present there is nothing to indicate that the writs for the nine by-elections in the Free State will be moved earlier than the 15th or 20th February, Much will depend on the character of the reports received from the Ministerial Party's organisers during the next fortnight.

The Re-organising Committee of the Cumann na nGaedheal intends to take few chances, and for that reason there is little likelihood that the elections will take place before the second week in March.

The intentions of the National Group are still obscure. Mr. McGrath some weeks ago made the announcement that "a delegate convention" would be held towards the end of the present month. A little while later it was stated that the convention would assemble in Dublin on the 28th inst. Delegates were appointed in different parts of the country, but the date mentioned came and went without any further announcement on the subject by any member of the group. The convention was not held and, I am now informed, that it has been postponed indefinitely.

After having considered upwards of a dozen names, the Re-organising Committee of the Cumann na nGaedheal decided yesterday to recommend the constituency convention to select Dr. T. Hennessy, the Secretary of the Irish Medical Association, as Ministerial candidate for South Dublin. The convention will be held to-morrow.

CAPTAIN ARTHUR.

EXTRADITION SAID TO HAVE BEEN REFUSED.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

PARIS, Thursday.

It is reported this evening that the French judicial authorities have decided to refuse the extradition of Captain Arthur, which was demanded by the British Government. Captain Arthur, it is believed, will be released from custody in the next few days.

The Dundee Town Council has decided to offer the city's freedom to Mr. Stanley Baldwin.

RIGID ECONOMY NEEDED.

THE WAY TO REDUCE TAXES.

NORTHERN IRELAND FINANCE.

THE PRIME MINISTER'S APPEAL.

An important speech on the financial position of Northern Ireland was made by Sir James Craig yesterday at a luncheon which followed the annual meeting of the Ulster Unionist Council in the Ulster Hall, Belfast.

Sir James declared that rigid economy must be exercised not only by Government departments and local authorities, but by every household. That was the only method by which they could secure a reduction of taxation, which was essential to the recovery of trade.

It would be false economy, however, not to make adequate provision for the unemployed, and in his appeal for a reduction in both public and personal expenditure he made due allowance for that fact.

Looking to the future, he said that Northern Ireland must raise more money for education than was allowed in the White Paper on which the State's financial relations with Britain were based, and that the cost of maintaining a large portion of the Special Constabulary must be found.

THE LUNCHEON.

SIR JAMES CRAIG'S SPEECH.

The Marquis of Londonderry presided at the luncheon, and the guests included Sir John Gilmour, the Unionist Party's Whip at Westminster.

After the toast, "The King," had been loyally honoured the chairman gave the toast of the Prime Minister, whom he described as the greatest asset Northern Ireland possessed.

Sir James Craig began his reply by impressing upon his audience the absolute necessity for economy in all departments of the State. The creation of a subordinate Parliament for Northern Ireland, he said, was not of their seeking, but they had accepted it, and were carrying on successfully. While they accepted the position, they never undertook to lower the social standing of the people, and whatever financial arrangements were made must be such that the people of Northern Ireland would enjoy the same rights as the people of Fife or Forfar, Norfolk or Kent. They welcomed the rumours that there would be a reduction in taxation, and desired it to be known that everything the Government of Northern Ireland could do would be done to assist the Chancellor of the Exchequer to take something off the income tax, which was destroying trade, not only throughout Great Britain, but also in Northern Ireland.

In a recent interview with Mr. Churchill, one of the principal advisers to the Treasury, who had been closely identified with the formation of the Northern Civil Service, declared that, from the strict Treasury point of view, the Ulster administration was economical, and in every way satisfactory. If things had been otherwise that gentleman would not have hesitated to say so. Although there might be an odd falling off in some department they would find that in other departments everything had been screwed up to the highest state of perfection.

NO FALSE ECONOMY.

Dealing with the White Paper concerning the financial relations between Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Sir James said that with the passing of time much of the *data* upon which it was based had proved to be wrong. But at all events the Government had not been obliged to go into the market to borrow money; it had been able to place a balance to the right side in successive Budgets. It had played its full part in assisting the local authorities, and it had been able to assist the farmers in several directions.

Nothing in the form of economy would justify them in allowing starving men to be in their midst, and in this application of economy to Government Departments, local authorities and the people as a whole, he had made due allowance for those matters which must receive attention.

During the war and the prosperous years which followed it there was an inclination in many households to seize the opportunity presented by artificial conditions to raise the standard of living. A great deal of the trouble which confronted them to-day was due to the difficulty of getting back to the more sound level of 1914. He wanted to impress upon everybody that if there was to be lower taxation—and lower taxation was the first essential to an extension of trade—there must be rigid economy, not only in Government and local government circles, but in the homes of the people.

In that connection he was delighted to see the steady increase in the deposits in the savings banks, and that the demand for Ulster Savings Certificates was growing by leaps and bounds.

COMPARISONS.

He found that for the period from the 1st April to 27th December last in the Free State there was £236,500 invested in their Savings Certificates, and the amount withdrawn was £62,800, which meant an investment per head of 1s. 6d. The publicity expenditure in order to attain that £236,500 was £5,750, or 7d. in the £. In Great Britain the amount invested in the same period was 21 millions and the amount withdrawn £22,700,000, the amount invested being 9s. 8d. per head, while the publicity expenses came to £117,000, which represented one penny in the £.

In Northern Ireland the amount invested was £278,000, and the sum withdrawn £74,000, or 4s. 5d. per head, and the publicity expenses £300, or something less than a quarter of a penny in the £. That was merely an example of what economy could do, and that was an example which was being followed throughout the Civil Service in Northern Ireland.

At present, said Sir James, certain non-recurrent expenditure had to be met. In the future they would need a greater sum for education than the White Paper allowed, and so long as he held the reins of government he would insist that a large portion of the Special Constabulary—particularly the "B" men—would be required.

THE SCOTTISH WHIP.

Sir John Gilmour, replying to the toast of his health, paid a tribute to Sir James Craig's judgment, courage and foresight.

He came there as a very humble member of a new Unionist Administration which carried on its shoulders great responsibilities. He was happy in being able to convey to them, as he thought would be the desire of his colleagues, too, that they recognised the difficulties of the task that lay before Sir James Craig and his colleagues, and that they desired to help and co-operate with them. (Applause)

He had no doubt as to Ulster's progress. Like Sir James Craig, he was not daunted by the difficulties that lay before them. He did not think faint hearts were the sort of things that would help them in these days. He would say to the men and women of Ulster that it was by courage and the adoption of that wise advice that had fallen from their Prime Minister as to economy and foresight they were going to lift the difficulties that lay upon them. Home affairs were largely governed by world movements, and it was a fortunate thing that they had been able to some degree, at all events, to make an advance in the solution of some of the great difficulties on the Continent.

THE ANNUAL MEETING.

At the annual meeting of the Ulster Unionist Council a resolution was adopted urging the Unionist Associations to make determined efforts to reach the younger members of the community in order to counteract the pernicious work of the Socialists.

The office-bearers were re-elected.

A letter was read from Lord Carson expressing regret at his inability to be present. It contained the following:—

"I desire to send affectionate greetings to

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CORK CHAMBER AND TAXATION.

DISCONCERTING CAUSE OF TRADE DEPRESSION.

PLEA FOR PROTECTION AND ECONOMY.

The annual general meeting of the Cork Incorporated Chamber of Shipping and Commerce took place yesterday, Mr. William Dinan presiding.

The annual report and statement of accounts were submitted, the statement showing a balance in bank of £40 6s. 1d.

The President, in moving the adoption of the report, referred to the loss sustained by the deaths of Mr. T. B. Lillis and Alderman Dale. He went on to say that the amalgamation of the two Chambers of Commerce was now, he hoped, assured, and this would be a matter of satisfaction to the commercial community. The cattle export trade for 1924 had come to the rescue of the country, and one hesitated to think what would have been their adverse trade balance if an outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease had interrupted it. He congratulated the Minister for Agriculture on the success of his efforts to keep the country immune from this plague.

It was yet too soon to judge the railway amalgamation scheme, but the reduction of fares and rates was a happy augury. Legislation aiming at the improvement of live stock, and at raising the quality of eggs and butter, would undoubtedly increase the value of these exports. The Government's giving of a moderate protection to a small number of industries as an experiment, and watching the effect of these tariffs, had inspired much confidence. They hoped that the Government would in future be guided solely by the results of the present experiment. That year had been one of unrelieved depression.

A bad harvest had greatly curtailed trade, and foreign trade showed an unfavourable balance. Bank clearance figures showed a severe shrinkage of internal trade, and there was a dearth of employment all over the country.

DISCONCERTING.

The main cause of depression was disconcerting—viz., the withdrawal of capital from industries—driven out by high taxation, and the feeling of insecurity with regard to taxation. They appreciated the Government's difficult position, but thought the time had come when drastic economy should be effected. They suggested that the Minister of Finance, in preparing his Budget, should determine how much money he could raise without injury to industries, and he doubted if it would amount to 15 or 16 millions, and should then tell the spending departments that there was not a penny more available. The country had had a surfeit of politics, and wanted a period of tranquillity. All parties could best serve the country for the next five years by forgetting political differences and devoting their energy to making the Free State a country they might feel pride in. It was only by reduction of taxation and some political truce that capital, and with it prosperity, could be induced to return.

Mr. Harte, Vice-President, in seconding the proposal, said that on the debit side it was easy to point out that the troubles of the past few years had left the State drained of much of its wealth; that the relationships between Capital and Labour were strained and uneasy; that our imports exceed our exports to an alarming degree, and that taxation was strangling all enterprise and trade expansion. Many remedies had been, and were being, suggested. Business men had been blamed, and were told that if they only combined to provide industries and work all would be well. Protection was preached; prohibition of investments abroad was suggested.

He did not propose to treat them to an analysis of these suggestions, except to say that business men would always be found—given settled conditions—who would promote anything that presented a fair prospect of profit-making. Call us "profiteers" if you will, he said, but the basis of all successful private or State trading is in ultimate profit, whether to the individual direct or, indirectly, through the Sate. As regards Protection, I am myself a Free Trader, but I would always advocate that the State should have power to protect its nationals from unfair dumping of goods made in another country. Very often the result of such dumping is that when native industry has been choked out, the consumer of the foreign product is compelled to pay back the very cost of killing his own country's industry. But I am convinced that in our country, where we are compelled to buy from abroad so many necessaries and comforts of life, which can only be paid for by exports, visible and invisible, Protection in itself will never create a prosperous or contented State. I am sure I will carry the opinion of this meeting with me when I say that any effort to restrict free investment by banks of their surplus funds would be a fatal experiment.

Mr. Crosbie proposed the re-election of Messrs. W. P. Baker, W. T. Breen and J. J. Hogan to the Council. This was seconded by Mr. Rohan and was passed unanimously.

On the motion of Dr. O'Donnell, Mr. R. Hall was appointed Hon. Treasurer and Mr. D. Coakley Hon. Secretary.

Sir J. Scott moved that Messrs. T. J. McGovern and J. C. Rohan should be appointed Hon. Auditors. The motion was passed, and a vote of thanks to Mr. Dinan concluded the meeting.

PROFESSOR SMIDDY'S POSITION.

BANQUET INVITATION NOT CANCELLED ON INSTRUCTIONS

FROM OUR POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT.

Mr. Desmond Fitzgerald, the Free State Minister of External Affairs, states that there is "no truth whatever" in the suggestion made by a London newspaper that the Free State Government is considering the question of recalling its diplomatic envoy from the United States.

Professor Smiddy, it will be remembered, a few days ago cancelled his acceptance of an invitation to be the chief guest of a banquet organised by the George Washington Sulgrave Institution, which concerns itself with fostering friendly relations between Great Britain and the United States. 2,500 invitations had been issued for the banquet, which had been arranged for 29th January, with Professor Smiddy as the guest of honour.

In a letter to the Chairman, Mr. Smiddy expressed his regret, and added: "Circumstances oblige me to recall my former acceptance."

It has since been suggested that Professor Smiddy acted on the instructions of the home Government, but this, Mr. Fitzgerald tells me, is "absolutely untrue."

He gave an emphatic denial to the rumour that the Free State Government is now considering the question of recalling Professor Smiddy, but beyond that had no further comment to make.

There is little question that the matter will be raised in the Dail next week, when an official statement is likely to be made by the Minister.

The Government, I understand, has communicated with Professor Smiddy, and is now awaiting his reply.

LONDON CINEMA DEAL.

OVER £400.000 FOR THE NEW TIVOLI.

It is understood that contracts have been entered into, but not yet completed, for the sale of the new Tivoli Picture Palace, in the Strand, London, for a sum of over £400,000.

It is stated authoritatively that the concern is being bought by a syndicate, but not an American one, as has been suggested. The building was erected by Mr. James White three years ago, and is one of the most up-to-date cinemas in the country.

The Tivoli Palace, Limited, was registered in 1920 to obtain the Tivoli site, and build on it a picture theatre and restaurant. It has an authorised capital of £400,000. The managing director is Mr. T. Dawe, and serving on the board are Mr. James White, Mr. A. L. Ormrod (a Manchester stockbroker), Mr. C. A. Mills, Mr. W. H. Midwood (a Liverpool cotton merchant), and Mr. K. Trevor, of Coombe Court, Kingston.

LATE NEWS.

MINEOWNERS AND MINERS.

IMPORTANT MEETING.

The Times observes, in a leading article, that the meeting yesterday between representative committees of the mineowners and the miners may be, in conjunction with discussions that are to follow, of supreme consequence to the fortunes of an industry on which the welfare and prosperity of the nation largely rest. The real purpose of yesterday's meeting, and of the further discussions to which it will lead, is to discover how the most and the best can be made of the industry of coal-winning. The coalowners have called the miners' representatives into consultation. The reason for doing so is a serious one. A large part of the industry is not paying its way. The miners, too, are bearing a proportion of the loss owing to the decline of wages to the *minimum* rates in all but one of the districts, and by reason of short-time working and unemployment. The miners' leaders have been suspicious of the owners' intentions. They have anticipated—and certain incidents appeared to give them cause to anticipate—the owners' proposed joint deliberations are a prelude to the presentation of demands that would include a reduction of rates of wages and a lengthening of the working day to eight hours underground. In point of fact, the owner's invitation was in general terms, and proposed to the men's representatives a combined investigation into "the position of the industry, the cause thereof. and possible remedies." The invitation was not accepted in full. The miners' leaders adopted the demeanour of the sophisticated fly, not to be caught in the web of a joint committee. But it would seem that the early suspicions are in process of being removed. Further conversations may cause them to disappear completely.

STEEL HOUSES.

The Political Correspondent of the *Daily Mail* learns that the Government is firm in its determination that organised trade union opposition shall not wreck housebuilding schemes which involve the use of unskilled labour on the mass erection of brickless houses. There appears to be no likelihood of the Government adopting the unions' point of view, and since the Weir and similar schemes are regarded as among the most hopeful and useful alleviants for unemployment, the issue is likely to be fought to the end, even should this involve a strike.

FRENZIED BUYING OF WHEAT.

The *Daily Telegraph*, in a leader, says:—There is no mystery about the soaring wheat prices at Chicago. It is all according to plan—the eternal plan of supply and demand. There is a world shortage of wheat and a record world demand; that is the beginning and end of the trouble. No doubt, the frenzied buying in the wheat pits of Chicago and Winnipeg emphasizes and exaggerates the effects of the economic position; but the principal fact to be borne in mind is that this rise in wheat is not due to any "ring" of speculators creating a certain artificial position and exploiting it for their own ends. The position has been created quite apart from the speculators, and what speculation there is is not that of "rings," but of individuals, with an excited market before them, in which they take their chance of profit or loss.

FIREMAN BURIED IN DEBRIS.

UNDER FIRE AND ICE FOR SIX HOURS.

MONTREAL, Thursday.

After being entombed for six hours in a cellar, amid the wreckage of a burning grocery warehouse, Lieutenant Desjardins, a fireman, was rescued by the endeavours of his comrades. Desjardins is now in hospital in a serious condition, having been covered with *débris*, upon which the firemen had kept playing a continuous stream of water. Seven other firemen were seriously injured by the sudden collapse of the walls.

There were four serious fires in the heart of the city during the night, and the whole brigade was called out, 400 men being on duty. The total damage is estimated at one and a half million dollars. Twenty firms participate in the loss. Those fighting the fire were greatly impeded in their work by the temperature, which was twenty degrees below zero at the time.

It is doubtful whether Lieutenant Desjardins will recover from his injuries and the effects of the exposure for six hours under *débris* and ice.

The firms affected include Messrs. Crosse and Blackwell's Montreal warehouse, Messrs. Paulin and Co., the Oxo Company, and Messrs. A. J. Alexander, furriers, the premises involved being in Lemoine street, Notre Dame street, and St. Catherine street.—(Reuter.)

FRANCE'S SECURITY.

M. HERRIOT'S DECLARATION APPLAUDED.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

PARIS, Thursday.

By 541 votes to 32, the Chamber this evening voted for the placarding all over France of M. Herriot's speech of yesterday, only the communists being in the minority.

There is to-day in the Opposition Press an almost unbroken chorus of praise of M. Herriot's indictment of German Nationalism. It may not be altogether pleasing to M. Herriot; for the intention, which is not obscured, is to hold him up to the country as one convinced against his will of the futility and danger of his own policy, and already preparing to make his retreat on to that of his predecessor.

The *Débats* to-night begins its leading article with the text: "There is more joy in Heaven over one sinner that repenteth."

Elsewhere, M. Herriot is likened, not only to M. Poincaré, but to M. Clemenceau.

The *Temps* appears to doubt whether the Premier's words will be followed by deeds, but, in the meantime, says that they are a warning to all countries where the need is felt of preventing fresh armed conflict. Anxiety for her own safety must logically have the precedence in the eyes of France over all other questions.

ST. PAUL'S CATHEDRAL.

OVER £206,000 FOR THE PRESERVATION FUND.

The St. Paul's Cathedral Preservation Fund has reached £206,939 18s. 8d. The contributions received yesterday by *The Times* amounted to £6,907 1s. 7d.

£49,000 WILL CASE.

JUDGMENTS FOR PLAINTIFFS.

The hearing concluded in the Probate Court, London, yesterday, of an action relating to the estate of the late Miss Sarah Edith Smith, who died at the age of 56, in June last, leaving property valued at £49,000. A will, dated December 1, 1923, propounded by the plaintiffs, Mr. Leonard Cyril Tonkin and Mr. Henry Norman Bliss, a solicitor, as executors, was contested by the defendants, Miss Smith's two brothers—Mr. John Alfred Smith and Mr. Frank Smith—on the ground that at the time she was not capable of making a will, and that it was obtained under the influence of Miss Ellen Rose Beamish, her nurse and friend, who under the will took the greater part of the estate.

The jury found that Miss Smith was of sound mind and understanding when she made the will, and that there was no undue influence on the part of Miss Beamish.

Mr. Justice Horridge accordingly pronounced for the will

IRELAND'S BEST CUSTOMER.

VALUE OF ENGLISH MARKETS.

£48,000,000 A YEAR FOR FOOD.

ARRESTING FACTS.

In the course of a paper which he read yesterday at a meeting of the Royal Colonial Institute, in the Hotel Victoria, London, at which the Marquis of Aberdeen presided, Mr. R. A. Whyte, Chief Trade and Produce Officer of the Irish Free State in Great Britain, said that the Free State sent about £48,000,000 worth of food to Britain last year, and in return bought seventy per cent. of its total needs from Britain.

INCREASING EXPORTS.

At the outset Mr. Whyte pointed out that the economic prosperity of Ireland had been mainly based on her agricultural production, and that the principal market for her surplus was Great Britain, an economic position which was likely to endure.

Seventy years ago, he said, Ireland exported in one year over 200,000 cattle to Great Britain, which was about three times more than Canada, or, indeed, all the other countries in the world—apart from Ireland—exported to Great Britain for the year just ended. It is only a matter of forty odd years ago since 80 to 90 per cent. of your essential foot imports, such as butter, bacon and eggs, were obtained solely from Ireland. In modern times the improvement of communications by land and sea, coupled with agricultural development in Europe and overseas, brought competitive supplies within your reach, and while you are to be congratulated on the abundant food supplies now at your command, we hope by attending to our farming and business methods to avail of our nearness to your markets. We shall not, and ought not, to ask for more than fair play in the competition for a market which shows welcome signs of expansion as financial and industrial depression recedes.

Turning to the subject of the Irish Free State exports and their value, Mr. Whyte said:—The total exports and re-exports from the Irish Free State amount in value approximately to four and a quarter million pounds sterling per month, and of this our shipments of food, drink and live animals—approaching four million pounds sterling — are sent to Great Britain. In other words, you take about 84 per cent. of our total exports. On the other hand—and showing that the flow of products for human consumption is far from being in only one direction—you ship us food, drink, tobacco, etc.—apart from the various industrial products—to the value of £40,000 per day. Your total trade with us represents approximately 70 per cent. of our entire imports. Again, in your own import and export figures—calculated on the basis of per head of the population—the Irish Free State stands fourth (being only surpassed by British India, Australia and the U.S.A.) among the principal importing and exporting countries supplying your markets.

These, I submit, are arresting facts which I venture to think both countries should be more familiar with. They show, I think, that the establishment of a satisfactory export trade must be balanced by a correspondingly flow of imports, and these imports must come mainly from those countries to which you export. When one considers that 60 per cent. of the expenditure of Great Britain is on foodstuffs, the importance of this question, and anything which raises the standard of efficiency in respect to quality or quantity—a work in which we are at this moment actively engaged—will be appreciated.

BUTTER AND EGGS.

Irish butter as an organised export goes back 150 years. One hundred years ago we exported about 22,000 tons a year, which—it may be of interest to note—is three times the quantity you receive from Canada and five times the amount supplied by Holland last year. The figures—happily available—show that there has been an almost steady progress since that period until the late European War, at which time we were sending almost 45,000 tons annually to this country. Legislation has been enacted, and will come into operation this year, in respect to this product, whereby the manufacture will be improved and standardised under Government inspection and control. The measure giving effect to this is one of the most drastic that has ever been undertaken by any country. It is hoped and intended that one of the first results of this legislation—involving as it does inspection and instruction at the point of production, and examination of the product at every stage from production to ultimate distribution—will be the establishment of a national brand for our best quality. We have always been able to sell our best butter readily, and we expect that within a year or two only a small proportion of our exports will fall short of national brand standard.

We shipped you last year eggs to the value of over two and three-quarter million pounds sterling, representing approximately one-fourth of your total imports. Our shipments to you of this product amounted to twice that of Holland, and almost equalled your total imports from Holland, Canada, U.S.A., Egypt and China. We have not been satisfied with this position, however; we know that we are capable of supplying a much larger proportion of your egg imports, and we have eben making a careful study of your requirements, with a view to directing our productive and selling organisation along the lines dictated by the needs of your trade. For this purpose legislation of the most far-reaching type has been enacted, and will come into operation this year. No eggs will be permitted to be shipped from the Free State which do not conform in respect to freshness, size, packing and description to the most exacting standards—standards which will carry with them an assurance to the distributor and consumer in which he can have the fullest confidence. This is a branch of agriculture in respect to which I am convinced that we have not taken anything like full advantage of our opportunities. The action necessary for expansion has already begun, and those who are competent to judge are of the opinion that our exports will be increased by 25 per cent. within the next five years.

BACON, PORK AND FOWL.

The Free State exported to you last year bacon and hams to the value of over £3,000,000—in volume about 34,000 tons. Our export of these products to Great Britain has—except for brief periods—steadily advanced during the past seventy years. Seventy years ago Irish bacon secured the highest price on the London market. To-day our product commands an average of a penny to twopence per lb. over any other imported bacon in the retail shops of this country. This is a fact more eloquent than anything I could say. We yield to no one either as to the methods of production or marketing organisation in this

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branch of agriculture. This is an industry in respect to which our agricultural conditions enable us to rise quickly to almost any conceivable requirements of this country. Our shipments of pork to Great Britain last year amounted to about 12,000 tons—representing about 30 per cent. of your total imports—in value, approximately, £1,000,000 sterling. We have never been satisfied, however, with the situation that, in face even of the unique position of Ireland as a pig raising country, you have been such a large importer of this product from the Continent. Our difficulties are partly due to defective transport arrangements and partly, it must be conceded, to a failure on our part to respond to the requirements of a market which bases its demand on the varying tastes of the consuming public. The pork we send is always good, but it is not always what buyers can most readily sell. Our methods of butchering and dressing also need some reform, but here again a more accurate knowledge of your needs has been acquired, and will, it is hoped, be given expression to in the near future.

The poultry industry in its wide sense, and meaning poultry raising for both egg production and table use, fits in naturally and, indeed, profitably, with tillage and mixed farming. As you may have observed, however, from the export figures in respect of eggs, poultry raising for table use is regarded as of secondary importance. The industry, as a whole, i.e., eggs, poultry and feathers, has now grown to be next in importance to our great cattle trade. Poultry, live and dead, is exported to Great Britain annually from the Free State to the value of over £1,000,000 sterling, and incidentally I may mention we are the only country supplying live fowl to your markets for commercial purposes. Both the live and dead poultry export trade is capable of considerable expansion, and is likely to be greatly stimulated as a result of the legislation in respect to eggs and the improvement and extension of our poultry schemes.

VALUE OF CATTLE TRADE.

In round numbers the Free State supplies over 900,000 head of cattle, to the value of about £15,000,000, to Great Britain annually. This is altogether apart from 200,000 odd pigs, and over 600,000 sheep and lambs. Indeed, the total value of live animals exported to you last year from An Saorstat approached £20,000,000. In our shipments of live stock there is not only an excellent example of the close relation of Irish agriculture to the agricultural economics of Great Britain, but, in addition, an arresting proof of the place which this branch of Irish agriculture holds in the food requirements of this country. About 95 per cent. of the live stock annually imported into Great Britain comes from Ireland.

The lecturer referred to the growing opinion that Ireland should supply Great Britain with less beef on the hoof and more in the form of dead meat. He mentioned the steady progress which is being made by the Wexford Dead Meat Factory and to the dead meat enterprise about to be started in Waterford. He also deals with exports of fish, which amount to about £500,000 a year. This industry is, at present in an undeveloped state, but naturally with Ireland's geographical position it has immense possibilities.

Shell-fish alone account for £70,000 a year, and about 15,000 tons of fresh mackerel are imported annually from the Free State by England. Game included about 3,000,000 rabbits.

Mr. Whyte paid a tribute to the English railway companies, who display a keen desire to facilitate and extend the marketing of Irish produce in all the important British centres. The carrying companies are not so up-to-date in their methods, but a tendency towards improvement is noted.

After referring to the immunity of Ireland from cattle disease, the lecturer concluded by assuring his audience that his country is at present leaving no stone unturned to improve the quality of her products and to facilitate their transport. She counted with confidence on receiving from English traders the fair treatment which is the only recognition she demands for providing a reliable and increased food supply at England's own door.

IMMUNITY FROM DISEASE.

At the close of the address, the Chairman said that, as to the absence of foot-and-mouth disease from Ireland, it was an interesting fact that the Government of Belgium had decided to admit Irish cattle to that country on the ground that they did not believe that the disease existed in Ireland. The interests of Great Britain and Ireland would be promoted by the utmost inter-communication between the two countries. He could not understand the object of the campaign of depreciation and obloquy carried on in certain quarters against the Free State. He maintained that there were grounds of great hope in the experiment being carried out in the Free State, and it was the duty of every patriotic man to show to it sympathy and goodwill.

LONDON THEATRES.

"SILENCE" AT THE QUEEN'S THEATRE.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

LONDON, Thursday.

An American melodrama, "Silence," written by Mr. Max Marcin, which has had a New York success, was produced last night at the Queen's Theatre. There is a good story in this play, which would have been more effective if some of the numerous complications had been omitted.

In a prologue, Jim Warren is shown awaiting his death sentence. He has murdered a fellow-crook, and, although it is obvious to all his friends that he is shielding someone, he refuses to speak. We are then taken back twenty years, and shown how Jim is prevented from marrying the girl he loves by the personal estate absolutely, or whether, subject to the limitations in the will in favour of Lady Molyneux and Mrs. Talbot, the real and personal estate was undisposed of by the will.

After hearing a number of counsel on behalf of the Cleland and Molyneux interests respectively, his Lordship said that it had been argued in the Cleland interest that, whatever one felt as to the true construction of the will, it should be borne in mind that the testator never contemplated that he was going to die intestate as to any part of his estate. His Lordship agreed, with that view, and said that it was the attitude of innumerable testators, who made very elaborate wills, and yet ultimately were found to die intestate. Elaborate as were the provisions of this will, they did not bring about that which was the undoubted and paramount intention of the testator, and, therefore, the argument that the will was so carefully framed as to preclude any possibility of an intestacy fell to the ground, and he held that, notwithstanding his intention, the testator had, in fact, died intestate.

His Lordship declared that, subject to limitations to the widow and Mrs. Talbot, and to any subsisting annuities bequeathed by any codicil, the real and residuary personal estate was undisposed of by the will.

MR. J. J. O'LOGHLEN.

Mr. J. J. O'Loghlen, J.P., of Cashel, Co. Galway, an outstanding figure in the West of Ireland, died on the 26th inst.

A Correspondent writes:—There will be widespread regret at the news of the death of Mr. J. J. O'Loghlen. Although his life and interests were naturally centred in Connemara, he was one of the best known and respected men in Ireland. He was a noted athlete, one of the best rifle shots in the country, and a great lover of all outdoor sports. He possessed a peculiar charm and courtesy of manner which endeared him to all with whom he came in contact, as was evinced by the large numbers that followed his remains to the graveside; they came from all parts of Connaught to pay their last tribute to a friend.

Mr. O'Loghlen was a type of Irish gentleman that is seldom met with now. True to the end to his principles, although saddened and sometimes disheartened in politics, he never lost hope. A broad-minded man himself, he could not understand the jealousies and intrigues of politics, and so he always stood aloof. With true Irish hospitality he has welcomed and entertained most of the notable people of the country, and, at the same time, his was always an open door to the poor and needy of the district; they learned to look to him for help and guidance, and they never found him wanting.

DUBLIN "ZOO."

RECORD RECEIPTS IN 1924.

MORE MEMBERS WANTED.

The record yearly total of receipts at the Dublin Zoological Gardens—that of £4,067 3s. 5d., established in 1923—was eclipsed by £36 5s. 6d. last year. Last year's receipts included £131 1s. 5d. received from the Tailteann Games Committee on account of the swimming competitions held in the gardens in August. Against this new record, however, must be set the Royal Zoological Society's failure to maintain the increased membership of 1921, reference to which was made at the ann l meeting of the Society yesterday, when it was stated that there had been an "alarming" number of resignations of members who had left the country.

Sir Robert Woods presided at the meeting, which was held in the Royal College of Surgeons, Dublin. He urged the necessity of making an effort to increase the roll of subscribers to the Gardens. Though times were hard, he said, he was sure that there was a considerable number of people in the Free State who could afford to join the Society, the membership of which was much too small in proportion to the population of the country. People often left the Society because they felt that they could not get full advantag from their membership. That was not the spirit they wanted to encourage in the Society. The Society was the only institution of its kind in the country, and its importance as an educational factor among the young could not be over-emphasised. If they could not get sufficient funds they would not be able to keep on the Society in a way commensurate with the services which they ought to give to the country.

"BEST IN THE WORLD."

Sir Robert considered that the Dublin "Zoo" was in some respects the best in the world. Their *carnivora* were subperb. He could repeat what Dr. Mshaffy once said—that the Irish lion was almost as famous as the Irish bull.

Sir Robert expressed his appreciation of the Council's and the staff's services, which, he said, were characterised by a sense of devotion to duty. The Secretary's indefatigable efforts especially had contributed to the success of the work.

COUNCIL'S GRAVE ANXIETY.

The Honorary Secretary (Professor A. Francis Dixon) presented the Council's annual report, which stated that the popularity of the Gardens, as proved by the gate receipts—£4,013 3s. 9d.—had been fully maintained during the past year. Since 1921, however, the Society had experienced an alarming number of resignations of members who had left the country, or who felt no longer able to continue their subscriptions. The Council, in recording its grave anxiety regarding the membership of the Society, desired to remind all members that they could help very materially in placing the Gardens on a sound financial basis by interesting their friends in the Society and inducing them to become subscribers.

MANY VALUABLE GIFTS.

The most gratifying and outstanding feature of the year had been the large number of gifts of valuable animals, which included:—A pair of Waphli deer, two Rocky Mountain goats, a pair of Rocky Mountain sheep, two young Canadian bears (all presented by the Canadian Government); a young orang outang, two fine baboons, three vervet monkeys, two fierce young lions, a Sykes monkey, a black-crested eagle, a pair of giant tortoises, a pair of giant grey kangaroos, a porcupine, a mona monkey, and a young zebra.

On the motion of the Hon. Secretary, seconded by Mr. L. E. Steele, the report was unanimously adopted.

Professor Bayley-Butler then delivered a lecture on "Wild Animals At Home," illustrated with coloured slides.

The following were elected life members during the year:—Mr. Ernest Blythe, Minister for Finance; Mr. Patrick J. Hogan, Minister for Agriculture; the Marquis of Sligo; Messrs. Francis B. Jameson, Francis Baggot, Thomas W. Bewley, and Joseph C. Ridgeway, M.D.; the Rev. Thomas F. Ryan; Mrs. C. H. Miller, Miss Lilian E. Tottenham, Miss Toulmin, and Miss F. Murphy.

Medals for photography were presented to Dr. R. H. McKeag (silver medal), Mr. George Singleton (bronze medal), and Miss Gladys Gillespie (bronze medal, junior division).

THE MOLYNEUX IRISH ESTATES.

A WILL AND AN INTESTACY.

In the Chancery Division, London, yesterday, Mr. Justice Eve decided a question that had arisen on the will of the late Sir Capel Molyneux, who had estates in Armagh, Kildare, and other parts of Ireland. Sir Capel died on the 24th January, 1879, leaving a widow and an only child—a daughter. His widow died in January, 1917, and his daughter, who became Mrs. Talbot, died in April, 1922, without having any issue. Sir Capel had a sister, Mrs. Cleland, whose eldest son, Samuel Cleland, died recently.

The question before the Court was whether, upon the true construction of the will of Sir Capel Molyneux, and in the event which had happened, his real and residuary personal estate passed, upon the death of Mrs. Talbot, to Samuel Cleland, as tenant in tail male as to the real estate, and as to the residuary personal estate absolutely, or whether, subject to the limitations in the will in favour of Lady Molyneux and Mrs. Talbot, the real and personal estate was undisposed of by the will.

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RIGID ECONOMY NEEDED.

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all my old friends and colleagues. I need hardly add with what anxious concern I follow the development of government under the new *regime* in Ulster, and how gratified I am to observe the peaceful condition of the six counties. The difficulties of government are heavy and perplexing, and it is only by a generous cohesion amongst all parties in support of the machinery of government that the prosperity and progress of any community can be secured.

"No one who follows the events in Northern Ireland can doubt the ability and unselfish devotion shown in the interests of the people as a whole by your great Prime Minister, and the Ministers who assist in carrying out the trust imposed upon them by the Imperial Parliament. Every day, in my opinion, illustrates the great advantages to be derived from the maintenance of our position as a co-equal part of the United Kingdom and of the Empire, and, if I might be allowed, I would sum up the policy your Government has attempted to carry out in the words:—Closer and closer union with our brother citizens in all parts of the Empire."

"It is still a source of grave anxiety that so much unemployment continues, especially in the shipbuilding trade, with which the North of Ireland is so much identified. Let us hope and pray that this cloud may soon pass away, and I feel certain that in the meantime your Government have done, and will continue to do, everything that is possible to mitigate the sufferings of so many loyal and devoted people, who are only too anxious to procure the opportunity to obtain work, and thereby contribute to the general prosperity of the community."

BUILDING SOCIETY'S APPEAL.

INVESTMENTS TO PROVIDE "CHEAPEST" HOUSES.

It was stated at the annual meeting of the St. Barnabas Utility Society in Dublin last night that the Society could provide the cheapest house obtainable at the present time. It had no capital, however, and, as it had not been able to rent the houses, it might be compelled to sell. Mr. W. E. MacLoughlin, Chairman, presided.

The Rev. David Hall, Hon. Secretary, read the annual report, which stated that, on the passing of the Housing (Building Facilities) Act, a re-lease was secured from the Board of Works of the plot on Utility road facing the recreation ground, and four houses were erected by Messrs. J. and R. Thompson and sold to the occupying tenants on lease. Further land was obtained alongside the Society's property, and Mr. Hicks prepared plans for sixty-two houses. Messrs. Collen Brothers received the contract for £56,500, and an appeal was made to the public for investments to the extent of £20,000 in 5 per cent. loan stock. The response was so poor that most of the houses would have to be sold, the bank having refused to make the loan. Thirty tenants, however, had been accepted, and further investments were urgently required to complete the scheme.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

On the 36-hours revenue account the balance of £2,023 would enable the usual dividend to be paid, which would be equal to the part of the subsidy due for the past year. The balance in favour of the revenue account at the close of the year was £2,023 15s., as against a balance of £1,157 8s. 3d. to debit of capital account. All the transactions had now ceased, and it was advisable to transfer from revenue to the capital account the sum of £1,157 8s. 3d., and so close that account.

The Society closed the year with a credit balance of £865 10d. The original scheme for the erection of thirty-six houses had been completed at a cost of £34,986 19s. 6d. The legal work was carried out without payment of the usual charges, and many friends of the Society had given assistance in time and share certificates, together with the dividends, by way of donations and gifts. The Society had borrowed £22,500 from the Board of Works, repayable at fifty years, at 6 per cent. 54 per cent. and 5 per cent. respectively. It had issued stock to the value of £9,250, of which £1,105 had been redeemed, leaving £8,145 in issue unredeemed, as well as £1,000 for £999 had been surrendered, leaving £8,437 in issue unredeemed at the close of the year. Shares to the value of £676 were issued, of which £103 had been forfeited, leaving shares unredeemed to the value of £5626. The subsidy paid by the Government to December 31st, 1924, amounted to £2,309 9s. 10d. The yearly rental of the thirty-six houses was £2,314.

GOVERNMENT'S SUGGESTION.

Continuing, Mr. Hall explained that the net cost of the thirty-six houses worked out at £500, when they took into account the subsidy, etc. He had asked the Government to give the same terms as the utility societies received in England, but they could not do it—they could not give what they had not got. The suggestion was made that the Society should undertake more building, in order to reduce the average cost of the houses. They did so. If they could sell the whole of the sixty houses in the next few years they would have a ground rent of £5 per house, which would bring them in £300 a year, and that would equal the amount of rates which they would have to pay after the lapse of the first ten years.

NO CAPITAL.

He was anxious to get as many of the houses sold as they possibly could. They could give the best and cheapest houses at the present time to people who wanted them. As they had no capital they could not rent them, and it was necessary to sell.

The object of building the additional houses was to bring down the present high rents. If they were able to sell the houses they would make a slight profit on those, and they might be able ultimately to reduce the prime cost of the original houses very considerably, and thus keep the Society on an economic basis. They wished to safeguard the tenants who put all their money into a scheme.

The report and statement of accounts were unanimously adopted. A dividend at the rate of 5 per cent. on the Loan Stock and 6 per cent. on the shares was declared.

THE LIFFEY SUB-WAY.

HARBOUR ENGINEER'S REPORT.

In reference to the proposed sub-way under the Liffey, the Dublin Port and Docks Board yesterday had under consideration a report by the Harbour Engineer, suggesting that a severed sub-marine cable would, to a very large extent, affect the working of the port, the wagon traffic at the Great Southern Railway Company's *depôt*, and all the various industries on the port estate; and holding that the construction of the sub-way was a matter of immediate urgency. The Engineer submitted draft plans and specifications providing for a sub-way on the same diameter as that of the Central London Tube. The sub-way would provide accommodation for electrical and water mains and an intercepting main drainage sewer, and would have at each end a stairway and a lift capable of accommodating fourteen persons.

In the Engineer's opinion, the Board should agree to proceed with a length of 200 feet of quay wall, which would suffice to protect the shafts and form an enclosed area into which the excavation from the sub-way could be dumped. He estimated the cost of this wall and incidental work at £15,000.

The report and plans were referred to the Tunnel and Finance Committees.

A letter was received from the Dublin Dockyard Company, asking the Board to accept a reduced rent for a certain plot of ground during the continuance of the present depression in the shipbuilding and ship-repairing industry. It was stated in the letter that it was with much difficulty and keen competition that the company was able to continue business and to keep workers employed.

The matter was referred to the Finance Committee and the Law Agent.

Asked whether he was resigning his seat in Parliament as the result of his appointment as Warden of New College, Oxford, Mr. Fisher, M.P., telegraphed: "No immediate resignation."

OFFICERS OF CUSTOMS AND EXCISE.

Results of October exam. just announced. Successful from SKERRY'S COLLEGE, 76 St. Stephen's Green, Dublin:—Messrs. Foley, Stack, O'Rourke, Fallon, Kelly, McCormack, Hoche, Deasy, McNamara, Smith, Fitzmaurice, Reilly, Grogan, Dillon, O'Brien, Harley.—(Advt.)

BELFAST BAKED BREAD.

THE BEST IN THESE ISLANDS.

The demand for good quality bread in Northern Ireland was keener than in almost any other place, declared Mr. George Baird (representing the Belfast Master Bakers), in giving evidence on behalf of Northern Ireland at the Royal Commission on Food Prices in London yesterday. Mr. Baird said that the trade in Northern Ireland welcomed inquiry into not only the price of bread, but the character, quality, food value and moisture content, as compared with any other bread in the United Kingdom.

Bread, he said, was an important item of diet in Ireland, where the mass of the poorer people live largely on bread and tea.

HIGH GRADE FLOUR.

The trade in Northern Ireland was considered by those qualified to know to be exceptionally well equipped, he said, with modern appliances—in fact, for quite a number of years had led the trade in the United Kingdom in the adoption of plant, machinery and ovens." Is that true?—Yes.

Mr. Grant—You do not give us cheaper bread.

Witness—I hope you admit you get good bread, at any rate.

In reply to Sir John L. McLeod, the witness said that there was a demand in Northern Ireland for the highest grade bread; in fact, not more than 15 per cent. of anything but the highest grade flour was used in the making of bread by his firm.

Questioned by the Chairman, the witness said that the yield per sack was not more or ninety to ninety-one loaves. This was mainly due to the fact that they did not put the same amount of water into the bread as was got in England.

Sir Auckland Geddes—I thought the higher grade flour gave the higher yield.

Witness—My experience is the very opposite.

Sir Auckland Geddes—Some people get ninety-six, and even more.

Witness—It is quite easy to get ninety-six or ninety-eight if you can get enough water into it to produce that.

THE COST OF THE LOAF.

Mr. S. C. Bayne, managing director of Inglis and Co., Ltd., Belfast, dealt with their manufacturing and distributing organisation, and stated that his company cannot control the cost of flour or the increase in wages, and these would eventually have to be passed on to the consumer, and it would require an increase of over one penny per loaf to leave the position as it was in the months ending 25th October, 1924. The governing factors in the cost of the loaf were flour and wages. With regard to flour, Ireland being undermilled had to draw the bulk of the high class flour used from the big English and Scotch port mills, which entailed a freight of about one and sixpence per sack against carriage only if all supplies could be drawn from Belfast. With regard to wages, the wages of operative bakers in Belfast for day work was 72s. per week of forty-seven hours, and overtime at the rate of time and a half, and double time for Sunday work. For night work the rate was 78s. per week of forty-seven hours, with similar overtime and Sunday rates.

In reply to Mr. Coller, Mr. Bayne said that he was a member of the Belfast Master Bakers' Association, which met regularly and considered the price of bread. They watched the price of flour, and when a change in price was sufficient to warrant it the price of the loaf was altered. There had been no change in the price of bread in Belfast since October last, when the increase was due to the higher cost of flour.

The Chairman—At present you are in the position to give eaters of bread the benefit of your foreigner? Yes.

And you are doing so? Yes.

The witness said that they were using probably 90 per cent. of English-milled flour. There was a marked increase in the freight rate in Northern Ireland compared with 1914.

Mr. Grant said that he must congratulate the witness on being the only representative of the bakers who had given evidence who had not been losing money.

DETERMINING FEATURES.

Mr. Robert Scherer, produce manager, Inglis and Co., Ltd., Belfast, stated that in the production of bread there were two outstanding features which went to determine the cost of a loaf from the manufacturing point of view. One was the grade and quality of flour. The importance of this factor could not be over-estimated, especially in a district where the demand was for quality bread, such as that used in Belfast. We claim that the best bread made in the United Kingdom is found in Belfast and district, he added. The difference in value between a really choice flour and that of a baker's grade could be safely put at ten shillings to seven shillings per sack. The quality of the Belfast bread never varied, he added, whereas the bakers in England varied their mixture according to whether their margins was good or not.

The other feature was the amount of water used per sack and yield. There could be no hard and fast rule to determine how much water per sack a baker might use, the baker becoming a law unto himself if he must get the maximum yield of bread from a given quantity of flour.

The Commission adjourned.

WHEAT SPECULATION.

CONCERN IN CANADA.

TORONTO, Thursday.

There is apprehension in consequence of the riotous wheat dealing in Winnipeg that the Government may be forced to commandeer grain for feeding, seeding and milling. Numerous telegrams are passing between Winnipeg and Ottawa, and it is apparent that the chief concern centres principally the companies representing grain growers, are concerned over the situation. Apparently, speculators are in control of trading, since there is little buying by millers or seaboard interests.—(*The Times* Correspondent.)

AMERICAN "DEALS."

In a message from New York last night *The Times* Correspondent states:—Huge speculations in wheat, based on the belief that the world supply will fall short of the demand, continued unabated to-day, although in Chicago realising sales were once more enormous in volume. Speculation has been growing more reckless daily, stimulated by reports that the Canadian Government was considering the commandeering of enough wheat in Western Canada for food, seed and fodey, and that all the small producing countries were engaged in competition with such consuming countries as Great Britain, Italy and France, in buying wheat at any price. Heavy purchases for export made in the Argentine are also based on confirmation of the report of a world scarcity.

The Chicago market is the centre of the speculation, although yesterday, for the first time, the price of May wheat in Buenos Aires topped the Chicago price.

Mr. Arthur Cutten, whose paper profits on wheat are estimated to be between £4,000,000 and £5,000,000 dollars (£20,800,000 and £25,000,000), is quoted as saying that no "corner" is contemplated, and this statement is supported by Mr. Julius Barnes, the former director of the Federal Wheat Administration. Mr. Cutten, who holds over 14,000,000 bushels, says that the price of wheat would not drop one cent a bushel if he disposed at once of every bushel that he has under contract.

Sir James Yoxall, late General Secretary of the National Union of Teachers, is lying seriously ill from influenza at his Kew (Surrey) residence.

IRISH FREE STATE ESTIMATES.

NOTES ON REGROUPING.

Mr. J. C. M. Eason, writing with reference to his speech, at the Dublin Chamber of Commerce, on the Irish Free State revenue and expenditure, says:—

"In connection with your report of the proceedings at the annual meeting of the Chamber of Commerce, I notice that some of the figures which I gave have not been correctly reproduced. I regard that as my own fault, because I did not have written out in clear detail the facts to which I have referred, and everyone will understand how difficult it is to pick up figures of a complicated nature, delivered rapidly in the course of a speech.

"It is desirable, however, that the figures should be correctly given, and I hope that you will be able to find room for the attached statement, which gives the result of the regrouping of the estimates to which I referred.

"I made no comment on the figures beyond these explanatory notes, and I leave it for others, who understand and have experience of public finance, to draw any conclusion which may be usefully derived from them.

"The statement is as follows:—

Total estimate for Supply Services,	£31,873,791
Deduct:	
Compensation payments, votes 14 and 15, and part vote 11 (non-recurrent)	9,459,177
Leaving a total expenditure of	£22,414,614

Group.	Classification.	Amount.
1.	Social	£4,269,873
2.	Educational	4,225,295
3.	Army	3,927,145
4.	Ministries and Oireachtas	2,083,763
5.	Legal, Police, etc.	2,047,903
6.	Superannuation	1,829,865
7.	Land Commission	595,604
8.	Public Works	403,179
9.	Miscellaneous	248,002
10.	Records	115,025
		19,747,654
11.	Post Office	2,666,960
		£22,414,614

To enable these figures to be more clearly understood, says Mr. Eason, I would add the following particulars:—

No. 1. This item includes old age pensions, £2,919,200; housing (part of vote 39), £367,000; National Health Insurance (vote 40), £278,709; unemployment fund (part of vote 52), £199,406. Also vote 19, relief schemes, £250,000.

During the year supplementary votes were passed, increasing vote 19 for relief by another £250,000, and vote 52 by £175,353 for unemployment fund.

No. 2. The forecast of an additional £250,000 has been made by the Minister.

No. 3. A reduction of a very substantial character has been suggested by Mr. Blythe.

No. 6. This is the total of vote 15 and 56. An additional sum of £95,000 was voted during the year in connection with the lattar vote (Army Pensions).

The main item in the Superannuation Allowances vote 16 is sub-head "N." £1,500,000 for "Ordinary Pensions and Disbandment Pensions of the R.I.C."

A great many details in connection with the other votes could be referred to, but it would take up a great deal of your space, and should possibly be dealt with in a different place and different manner.

There is another way of presenting the same exemplative total—namely, to divide it between (a) Salaries, Wages, Allowances; (b) miscellaneous items other than wages which arise in connection with the expenditure of various departments, and (c) such expenditure as is simply paid by the Government to persons not now in their employment and as subsidies.

(a)	Salaries, Wages, Allowances	£10,657,407
(b)	Miscellaneous items other than wages which arise in connection with the expenditure of various Departments	4,844,992
(c)	Group 1, excluding wages	£4,056,054
	6. Ditto	1,829,865
	7. Land Purchase Payments	375,000
	8. Ditto	405,179
	9, excluding wages payments	233,107
This includes votes No. (17), Rates on Government Buildings, and (55) payments to Railways		6,912,215
		£22,414,614

MOTOR INDUSTRY.

EMPLOYS 3,105,000 PERSONS IN AMERICA.

The National Automobile Chamber of Commerce has been making a fresh survey of the American motor car field, and the figures it publishes are astonishing. There are now over 3,105,000 persons employed there directly or indirectly in the manufacture and sale of motor cars.

Of these, a number equal to the entire population of Manchester are engaged in the production, sale, or maintenance of the products of one large organisation alone—the General Motors Corporation, which makes Buick, Cadillac, Oldsmobile, Oakland and Chevrolet cars, and Chevrolet and G.M.C. Commercial vehicles.

The report shows that persons employed directly in the whole industry number 2,879,370, including 1,599,370 workers in motor vehicle, parts, accessories, tyre or supplies factories, and the dealers and salesmen, garage and repair shop employés, and those engaged in financing and insuring motor vehicles. In addition, there are 1,220,000 professional chauffeurs and truck drivers, as well as 60,000 petrol and oil refinery workers.

WEATHER FORECAST.

General Inference.—The deep depression near the Faroes will move away north-eastward, but another system now centred over a thousand miles westward of Ireland will probably deepen greatly and approach the Hebrides to-morrow. Strong, squally westerly winds will continue over the British Isles generally. In Northern districts there will be wintry showers and bright intervals, and a Southern districts cloudy, mild weather, with local rain. South-west gales and general rain will probably be renewed on Friday night.

N.W. and N.E. Ireland.—Strong squally westerly winds, backing later, with risk of gale; showers of rain, hail or snow, but bright intervals, continuous rain or sleet setting in at night; visibility mainly good; rather cold.

S.E. and S.W. Ireland.—Strong westerly winds, backing later, with risk of gale; cloudy; rain at times; visibility mainly fair; mild.

S.W. Seaboard, Mouth of Channel to South-West Ireland; Irish Sea and St. George's Channel.—Strong westerly Winds; some rain; visibility fair; sea rough; risk of gale Friday night.

N.W. Seaboard, Northern Ireland to Hebrides.—Strong or high westerly winds, backing later; risk of gale; showers of rain, hail or sleet; sea rough.

Dixon and Rempenstall, Barometers and Forecasters, 12 Suffolk street, Dublin.—(Advt)

BAROMETER.

Dublin—Thursday (6 p.m.) 29.80

SUN.

To-day...Rises .. 8.14 Sets 5. 3
To-morrow.. .. 8.13 .. .. 5. 5
Lighting-up Time 5. 3

HIGH WATER.

DUBLIN.

To-day...Morning 3.33 Afternoon 3.48
To-morrow.. .. 4. 3 .. .. 4.33

The cheapening of coal prices would make all the difference to the prosperity of British trade, stated Mr. A. M. Samuel, Parliamentary Secretary to the Department of Overseas Trade, at Leeds yesterday.

U.S. MARKETS.

IRREGULAR CLOSING OF STOCKS.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.)

NEW YORK, Thursday.

Stocks opened firm, but the selling of some shares to buy Oil issues caused great irregularity, with many leading Industrial and Railroad stocks weak. Sensational advances in high-priced shares continue, American-Canadian reaching the high record mark. Trunks jumped 13 points, Commercial Solvents 12 to 15, and Kresge Chain Store 49, the latter on the declaration of a 50 p.c. stock dividend. Subsequently, all weakened under late realising, and the market closed irregular, Government Bonds steady, Railroad Bonds irregular. The day's sales totalled 1,960,000 shares. Money on call closed steady at 3½ bid and 3¾ asked. All business was transacted at 3¾ p.c.; Prime Mercantile Paper quoted at 3½ p.c.; Sterling Exchange steady; Silver ½c. higher for foreign and mined at 69.

Gold engaged for export amounts to 1,400,000 dollars for London, 9,230,000 dollars for India, and 6,500,000 dollars for Australia.

Rises—Atchison Topeka Pref. and Southern Railway shares 4; Utah Copper, 1, and United States Steel Pref., 1¼.

Falls—Atchison Topeka and Santa Fe shares and Texas and Pacific, ½; Baltimore and Ohio, Canadian Pacific, Southern Pacific Common and Wabash Pref., 1; Chesapeake and Ohio Common, Ontario and Western and Royal Dutch Petroleum, ½; Erie Railroad shares, Great Northern Pref., Missouri Kansas and Texas, Northern Pacific Common, Union Pacific Common, American Smelting and Refining Common, United States Steel Common and General Motors (New), ¾; Erie First Pref and New York Central, 1¼; Great Northern Ore Certificates, Illinois Central, Norfolk and Western Common, Reading shares, Pan-American Petroleum Ord., United States Rubber and Louisville and Nashville, 4; Lehigh Valley shares and General Electric, 1¼; Chicago Rock Island Common, 1¼, and National Lead, 2.

RAILROAD EARNINGS.—For the month of December—New York Central, gross, $31,719,000, decrease, $215,000.

Southern — Gross, $12,531,000, increase, $198,000.

Wabash — Gross, $3,675,000, increase, $139,000.

	3½% Bds.	3½% Bds.	3½% Bds.
Call Money	4.70¾	4.70¾	4.70¾
Exchange on Lon. 60 days sight	4.76¾	4.76¾	4.76¾
Do. do Demand Bills	4.78¾	4.78	4.77
Cable Transfers ... Montreal	4.79¾	4.79¾	4.79¾
Do. do	4.79¾	4.79¾	4.79¾
Exchange Paris, cable	6.41	6.41	6.41

Eng. Parity	Stocks	Closing Bid Prices. Wed.	Business Done. Thurs.
100½	U.S. Funded	102¾	102¾
18½	Atch., Top., and Santa Fe	119	118¾
97¾	Do. Preference	93	—
85½	Baltimore and Ohio	78¾	77¾
183½	Canadian Pacific	173¾	174¾
57¾	Chesapeake Ohio Com.	56¾	56¾
20¾	Chic., Mil. & St. Paul	14	13¾
79¾	Chicago and N.-West.	70¾	70¾
13½	Erie Shares	11¾	11
24¾	Erie 1st Preferred	23¾	23¾
71½	Great Northern Pref.	69¾	68¾
120½	Illinois Central	116	115¾
79¾	Lehigh Valley	77¾	78¼
108¾	Louisville & Nashville	107	106¾
39¾	Missouri, Kan. & Texas	37¾	37
39¾	Missouri Pacific New	36¾	36¾
14¾	Nat. of Mexico 1st Pref.	14	13¾
37¾	Do. 2nd Pref.	35¾	35¾
152¾	N.Y. Cl. & Hudson R.	142½	142
134½	Norfolk and West. Com.	128½	127
85¾	Northern Pacific Com.	69¾	68¾
54¾	Ontario and Western	49¾	49¾
50¾	Pennsylvania Shares	44¾	44¾
98¾	Reading Shares	87¾	87¾
38¾	Do. Preferred	35¾	35¾
26¾	Southern Railway	23¾	23¾
120¾	Southern Pacific	81¾	81¾
24¾	Texas and Pacific	14¾	14
124½	Union Pacific	104¾	104
134¾	United States Steel Common	127¾	126¾
179½	Do. Preferred	124	123¾
52½	Bethlehem Steel Com. Stock	34¾	34¾
—	Do. Preferred	60¾	60
27¾	General Electric (New)	74¾	74
13½	Inter. Mer. Marine Com. Certs.	12¾	12¾
30¾	Do. Pref. Certs.	29¾	29¾
86¾	Royal Dutch Ordinary	85	85¾
44¾	Shell Ordinary	43	43
73	Pan-American Petroleum Ord.	69	69
27¾	Anglo-American Oil	19¾	19¾
42½	Shell Union Oil Corp.	39¾	39¾
—	Do. Rubber	41¾	41¾

BONDS.

82¾	Atch. Top. New 4s Gen. Mort.	81¾	82¼	
87¾	Erie Rail. Gen. 4s Lien Bonds	84¾	84¾	
—	Do. Extending 4 p.c. Mortgage Bonds	—	—	
87¾	Union Pacific 4s Gold Bonds	81¾	81¾	
103¾	U.S. Steel 2nd Mort. 5s Bds.	102	102¾	
107¾	Do. 5 p.c. per cent. Bonds	102	102	
110¾	Do. do. 1937	106¼	106¾	
99¾	U.S. p.c. German Loan	95¾	95¾	

*Asked. †Ex div. ‡Ex interest. §Ex rights.

MONTREAL STOCK EXCHANGE.

Eng. Equiv.	Stocks and Shares.	Closing Prices. Thurs.	
		£	—
67¾	Abitibi Power & Paper Co., Ltd.	64¾	—
44¾	Asbestos Corp. of Canada, Ltd.	43	—
9¾	Do. Preferred	9	—
29¾	Brazilian T.L. & P. Co., Ltd.	28	—
33¾	Brit. Empire Steel Corp., Ltd.	32	—
33¾	Do. 1st Preference Series B	32	—
10¾	Do. 2nd Preference	9¾	—
81¾	Dominion Iron & Steel Co., Ltd	80	—
99¾	Canada Cement Co., Ltd.	98	—
107¾	Canadian Cottons, Ltd.	106¾	—
19¾	Canadian Indus. Alcohol Co.	18¾	—
16¾	Canada Steamships Lines, Ltd.	15¾	—
16¾	Do. Preferred	15¾	—
80¾	Con. Mining & Smelt. Co. of Canada, Ltd.	79¾	—
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NO LOOPHOLE FOR ALIENS.

CLOSE SUPERVISION IN IRELAND.

BRITISH HOME SECRETARY ON GROUNDLESS FEARS.

There is no loophole for the entry of aliens into Great Britain *via* Ireland, and is made perfectly clear by Sir W. Joynson-Hicks, the British Home Secretary, in a letter to a correspondent. He says:—

"You wrote to the Home Office recently asking for information regarding the entry of aliens into this country through Ireland. As it appears to be a somewhat widespread apprehension about this matter, I take this opportunity to make the facts perfectly clear, and trust you will have no objection to my sending a copy of this letter to the Press.

"The suggestion often made is that as no passports are required, and there is no examination of aliens in the case of traffic passing between Ireland and Great Britain, it is, therefore, possible for aliens to evade the operation of control over immigration into Great Britain by coming through Ireland. Were this the case, I agree that it would constitute a very big hole in the net through which all aliens have to pass before coming here.

"The reverse, however, is the case. There is a similar system of control throughout the Irish Isles administered in Northern Ireland by the English Home Office, and in the Irish Free State by the Free State Government, who look it over after the fullest consultation with London as to the most efficient methods of administration, and who are carrying it out on similar lines in close touch with the British Home Office.

"This means that the conditions for the admission of aliens into the Irish Free State are the same as at Dover or Folkestone. Moreover, even when isolated individuals evade the control in Ireland, just as they sometimes do in Great Britain, the same means exist for detecting and dealing with them when in Great Britain, by whichever route they may have come here.

"This again means that if an alien slips into England via Ireland, being, as he would be without a proper pass, he would be picked up by the police as effectively as if he had come, say, on the East coast from a fishing boat or come over as a stowaway.

"I hope this explanation of the true position will help to remove the disquieting impression to which I have referred, and which, I am glad to be able to assure you, is an ill-founded one."

BALDWIN'S CALL TO HIS PARTY.

ONLY WAY TO SUSTAIN VICTORY.

Addressing at a Victory Celebration banquet by the Constitutional Club, London, last night, the Prime Minister (Mr. Baldwin) said that the result of the election was beyond his expectations, but he urged the audience not to be lulled into repose by what had happened, for they were only at the beginning of a long struggle. They had succeeded in bringing within their ranks a large and enthusiastic portion of the youth of the country, and they must keep them.

"In a democracy like ours, he said, with practically everyone a voter, it was essential, if we were to function properly, that it should be educated to appreciate the nature of the problems with which it had to deal. It was with their Party to work without ceasing as they were able, either by giving their votes or giving their money to help to educate the people in politics and economics.

"There was an element in their Party which was not content to sit quietly and let others do the work. Victory could only be sustained if the Party showed itself from top to bottom full of faith in its cause, and as eager to spread it as any of its opponents. He wanted to see youth taking up every kind of political and municipal work to help in the betterment of the conditions of the people. These days, in spite of much display in certain quarters, ninety-five per cent. of us are poorer than before the war.

...ed week, 5/- to 5/7. lower. Opening ...day, 21/9; July, 21/2. Closing options—...4; July, 21/3. Oats firm, 1/- dearer. ...tion—May, 68/. Flaxseed barely steady. Closing option—May, 229/.

...ve his cereals:

		To-day.	Prev. day.
Northern	... ...	58	17
Northern	... ...	46	37
Northern	... ...	35	39
Northern	... ...	59	32
grades	... ...	151	96
Total	... ...	346	221

NEW YORK COTTON.

...N opened steady, 2 to 6 points higher, ...ging cable news, reports of drought in the ...and buying by bulls with New Orleans ...t then a reaction set in, due to realising and unfavourable foreign interests. ...ket has resumed fairly owing to heavier covering of shorts and improvement in ...e conditions, and the market closed steady ...points up. Spot steady at 5 points ad...New Orleans spot 20 points dearer.

...ddling upland at New York, 23.55. ...dling upland at New Orleans, 23.35. ...Atlantic ports, 26,000; Gulf, ...Pacific, nil; interior towns, 12,000. Ex...Britain, 4,000; Continent, 8,000; ...6,000.

...York future in last twenty seconds of ...day, unquoted. Feb. opened 23.55, highest ...arch 23.50, 23.51; April 23.55, 23.55; ...24.01; June 24.12, 24.12; July 24.24; ...24.07, 24.07; Sept. 24.32, 24.33; ...24.15; Nov., 24.17, 24.17; Dec., ...

...leans future in last minute of trading—...west 23.74, highest 23.75; May 23.96.

CHICAGO MARKETS.

CHICAGO, Thursday.

...T opened weak at 2½c. to 3½c. fall on ...ble advices, favourable weather in the ...st, and unloading by bulls, and further ...e made owing to the uncovering of stop ...s; weakness at Winnipeg, larger North...lds, and a bearish estimate of the Argen...rops. The market rallied, however, under ...ort interest, adverse Argentine reports and ...ound clearances of flour, and closed irre...to 1c. lower. Spot easier.

	To-day.	Prev. day.
Winter spot	198	198
Winter spot	—	—
Opening options—	May	July
... ...	202½	169¾
... ...	199¾	170¾
Closing options—	May	July	Sept.
... ...	203¾	171¾	155¾
... ...	205	172½	156¾

	To-day.	Same day last year.	This season	Last season
W...t, 015	566	421,692	265,505	

(In thousands of bushels.)

...pened easy, 1c. to 1½c. down owing to ...being required for hog feeding, a slow ...cash demand, liquidation, and in sym...h the fall in wheat. The market reacted ...mmission house buying, active covering ...and small country offerings, and closed ...1½c. up. Spot No. 2 mixed unquoted.

	To-day.	Prev. day.
Mixed	...	...
Opening options—	May	July
... ...	131⅛	132¾
... ...	131¾	132⅝
Closing options—	May	July	Sept.
... ...	136⅛	136¼	124⅝
... ...	132⅜	134¾	124⅝

	To-day.	Same day last year.	This season.	Last season.
)	992	1,644	157,460	162,869

(In thousands of bushels.)

...ion at 2½c. to 3c. net.

Closing options—	May	July	Sept.
... ...	63⅝	63⅛	62
... ...	60⅜	61⅛	58

...No. 2 spot unquoted.

Closing options—	May	July
... ...	173⅞	156
... ...	180¾	157⅝

...SIONS opened easy, but soon advanced ...the bullish Government hog reports, firm...se hog market, light receipts, and invest...ing. A reaction set in later, due to the ...grain and on packers selling, but the ...ket ...ed in sympathy with corn and ...owing more disposition to cover. Bids ...however, under light liquidation, and the ...irregular, with land 12½ points up to 2½ ...n, and ribs 10 points lower.

	Jan.	Mar.	May.
...ng options	15.95	16.10	16.40
... ...	15.82½	16.12½	16.30
...ng options—	Jan.	Mar.	May.
... ...	16.25	—	15.55
... ...	15.95	—	15.55

...barely steady at 2½ points loss. ...ibbed sides (60lbs. average), 15.85. ...firm. Light sorts are 25 to 30 points ...15 to 20 points dearer. Light hogs, ...5.75, heavy hogs, 10.50 to 11.10.

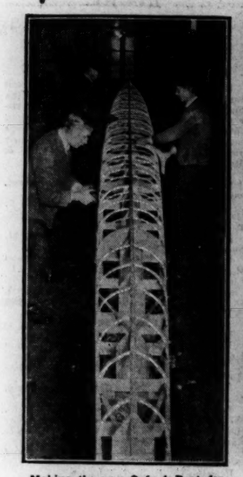
	To-day.	Same day last year
Western Cities ...	126,000	145,000
Chicago ...	41,000	54,000

...e of hogs at fifteen principal Western ...including Chicago, since November 1st, ...10,000, against 11,824,000 same season

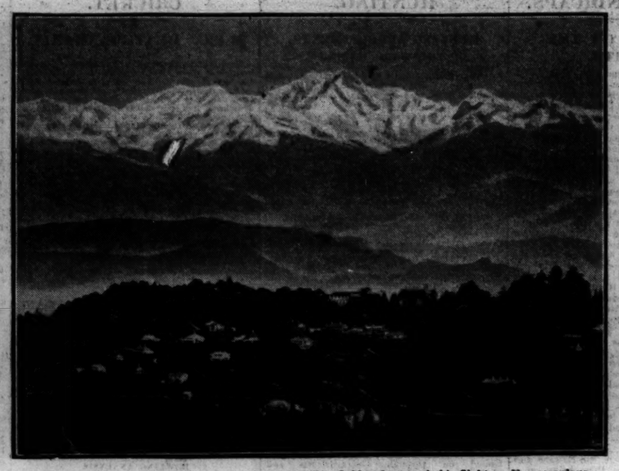
GOVERNMENT REPORT ON HOGS.

WASHINGTON, January 29.

...Government's annual report on hogs ...e number on farms at 54,234,000, a ...of 11,896,000.



Making the new Oxford Boat for the University Boat Race, to the design of Dr. R. C. Bourne.



The Himalayan Mountains, the scene of Mr. Alan Cobham's remarkable flight. No aeroplane had flown in this region before.

Miss Joan Southey, with Patrick of Brahyns, at the first English Coursing Meeting of Irish Wolfhounds, held near Amesbury (Wilts).

Turbine Secundus (on ground) and Steady March (Ellis up) falling at the Plumpton Races.

Optimist II., the famous French racehorse, being slung aboard the Berengaria for its trip to America.

Mr. L. Collins's Pride of Manister throwing Costello at Plumpton. The Jockey remounted and finished second.

The Latest Fashion. A Dove Grey Duvetyn Coat, trimmed with coral buttons and picturesque hip pockets.

The Scottish International Badminton Team at Woodbrook, County Dublin.
Front Row—Mr. Jackson, Miss Macdonald, Miss [illegible], Miss Macfarlane, Mr. Nelson.
Back Row—Mr. Beckett, Mr. Murray, Mr. Blair Mr. Barr, Mr. Davidson (President, Scottish Union).

Some Competitors at the Badminton Tournament.
Miss Noonan, Mr. R. A. Goff, Mrs. Good, Mrs. Manning, Mrs. Hood, Mr. G. S. B. Black, Mrs. Tragett, Mrs. Price.

Professor D. L. Savory, who lectured on Anatole France before the Dublin French Society.

Taking the crippled and invalid Children into the Gaiety Theatre, Dublin, where they were entertained yesterday.

The Ulster Ladies' Hockey Team.

The Leinster Ladies' Hockey Team.

Aran Islanders about to set out in their boats for Galway Fair, where they sell their cattle and pigs.

MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT'S MARRIAGE.

Sir Beddoe Rees, M.P. for Bristol South, whose desire for a wedding in the crypt chapel of the House of Commons was not fulfilled owing to legal difficulties, was married yesterday at the Welsh Presbyterian Church, Charing Cross road, London, to Miss Elsbeth Jones-Griffith. London Secretary of the Women's National Free Church Council. The time and place of the ceremony had been kept private, and a mere handful of people were present. The bride wore a gown of silver tissue, with long sleeves and winged drapery on one side reaching to the ground, and a long tulle veil, which formed a train. She was attended by one bridesmaid, Miss Beryl Jones, of Llandinam, who wore a pale blue frock, draped with silver, and carried a bunch of pink carnations. Major F. T. Rees, brother of the bridegroom, acted as best man. The Service, which was partly in Welsh, was conducted by the Rev. Thomas Nightingale, the Rev. Dr. A. E. Garvie, and the Rev. Peter Hughes Griffiths. One of the officiating clergy was Welsh, another Scottish, and the other English.

Margate's income last season from concerts was £30,000.

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PALMERSTON PARK TRAMWAYS.

COMPLAINT OF INADEQUATE SERVICE.

A correspondent writes:—

"As a long established resident on Palmerston road, I feel at last constrained to protest publicly against the great inconveniences suffered by residents of this district, owing to lack of a proper tramway service, on the Nelson Pillar-Palmerston line. In the first place, the service itself is most insufficient, besides being irregular. The intervals between trams, both in the morning and in the evening, are absolutely heart-breaking, and there seems to be no proper time table laid down, or, if there is one, it is never observed.

"My second complaint is best illustrated by stating what happened this morning (29th inst) to the tram on which I travelled. The car was already almost full before reaching Ranelagh, and at the latter place about sixty or seventy people were waiting, who immediately stormed the car, and filled it to overflowing. The result was that we were detained there for fully eight minutes, while the conductor procured a policeman to move the surplus passengers. This is almost an every day occurrence, and the fact that such incidents should happen reflects poor credit on the business methods of the Tramways Company. However, judging from letters constantly appearing in the Press, this does not appear to be an isolated case, and apparently the voice of public opinion has not any effect on the directors of the Company.

"The only remedy I can suggest to prevent this overcrowding, is to put this district on the same level as the Terenure district, which has an excellent service. We are certainly entitled to it, having regard to the large population in this area."

THE POPE RECEIVES THE DUCHESS OF NORFOLK.

ROME, Thursday.

The Pope received in private audience the Duchess of Norfolk, who was accompanied by her son and her three daughters, and by Mr. Dormer, Secretary to the British Legation at the Vatican. The Pope, in his conversation with the Duchess, recalled the late Duke of Norfolk. The Apostolic Benediction was given to all present at the close of the audience.—[Reuter.]

OBITUARY.

MR. JAMES WALLER BLAKE.

Mr. James Waller Blake, solicitor, died yesterday at his residence, Revagh, Salthill, Galway, aged eighty-three. Educated at Clongowes Wood College, he was apprenticed to Sir William Findlater, Dublin, and was admitted a solicitor in 1864. Twenty-five years ago he went into partnership with Mr. T. M. Kenny, who died in 1919.

Mr. Blake had been Crown Solicitor for County Galway for a number of years. He was a member of the Galway Blake family, from Tuam, and was a son of Mr. Edward Blake, who married Letitia Sydney, eldest daughter of the Hon. James Sydney, fourth son of the Earl of Leicester. Mr. Blake married Georgina Blake, his cousin, of Garricloone, Co. Mayo. There were no children of the marriage. The Blakes are direct descendants of Viscount Netterville.

L.M.S. HOTELS CONTROLLER.

The directors of the London, Midland and Scottish Railway yesterday appointed Mr. Arthur Edward Towle, the present manager of the Midland Hotel service, to be controller of the company's hotels. Mr. Towle is the son of Sir William Towle, who for many years was manager of the Midland Railway hotels, and brother of Sir Francis Towle, managing director of the Gordon Hotels, Limited.

PRINCE DINES WITH LAW SOCIETY.

The Prince of Wales dined with the Law Society (which has 10,000 members) at their hall in Chancery lane, London, last evening.

POACHING TRAWLERS.

ASSISTANCE GIVEN BY ARAN ISLANDERS.

A member alleged at a recent meeting of the Galway Council that Aran fishermen were helping foreign trawlers to enter Galway Bay during the night and fish within the three mile limit. The trawlers' crews gave the smaller fish to the Aran men, who cured and sold them at a good price. It was common gossip that the Aran boats were not fishing and would not fish so long as they could get fish free from the steam trawlers.

The meeting decided to call the attention of the Ministry of Fisheries to the decay of the industry in Galway and the reasons.

Motor lorries for Persia have been exempted from Customs duties for a period of five years.

AGRICULTURAL RETURNS.

CROPS AND STOCK IN IRELAND.

REDUCTION IN CATTLE.

BY OUR AGRICULTURAL CORRESPONDENT.

Although the area under corn and green crops in Ireland during 1924 was 2.3 per cent. smaller than in 1923, the extent of land under hay showed an increase of 3.4 per cent. This gives a net increase in the area under crops of 0.6 per cent. The only corn crops in which there were increases were barley and rye. In the Free State the area under barley was increased by 12,333 acres, or 8.2 per cent., and in Northern Ireland barley showed an increase of 242 acres, or 11.3 per cent. The result was a larger acreage—8.2 per cent.—of barley all over Ireland. How the inclement weather affected the results is matter of common knowledge. Owing to the almost continuous rain, low temperature and want of sunshine, there were few samples of prime malting barley, and prices suffered accordingly.

Under the heading of green crops, turnips show an increase of 5,093 acres, or 2.1 per cent., for all Ireland. The area under flax in the Free State showed an increase of 2,433 acres, or 30.2 per cent., and in Northern Ireland the area under flax was larger by 126 acres, or 0.3 per cent. Fruit cultivation decreased by 145 acres, or 1.3 per cent., in the Free State, but increased by 642 acres, or 6.5 per cent., in Northern Ireland. More hay was grown throughout the country, the total increase in the area under that crop being 3.4 per cent.

In the live-stock returns the results show a reduction in the number of cattle by 33,060 as compared with the previous year for all Ireland. Sheep, on the other hand, show an improvement, the total increase amounting to 178,935 head, or 5.2 per cent. As against this, a big decline is recorded in the number of pigs in the country, the decrease amounting to 274,102 head, or 20.3 per cent., for all Ireland. Horses used in agriculture were fewer by 7,464, and unbroken horses over a year old were fewer by 17,460, or 24.6 per cent.

Appended are the main figures, as published by the Department of Lands and Agriculture:—

1924.	Saorstat Eireann. Acres.	Northern Ireland. Acres.	Percentage, increase+ or decrease—for all Ireland.
CORN CROPS.			
Wheat	27,465	5,025	-16.2
Oats	756,513	332,905	- 4.3
Barley	163,642	2,391	+ 8.2
Total under corn crops...	954,252	341,692	- 3.1
GREEN CROPS.			
Potatoes	383,393	157,220	- 2.4
Turnips	201,071	50,581	+ 2.1
Mangels	74,666	1,684	- 2.4
Cabbage	29,616	2,158	-12.0
Total under green crops.	708,781	215,270	- 1.6
Flax	10,499	42,838	+ 5.0
Fruit	10,652	10,450	- 2.4
Hay	2,099,653	472,297	+ 3.4
Total under crops:	3,783,823	1,082,547	+ 0.6
NUMBERS OF LIVE-STOCK.			
Cattle	4,194,189	735,625	- 0.7

The numbers in the Free State include 29,252 bulls. The corresponding figures for Northern Ireland are not available.

Sheep	3,127,922	509,409	+ 5.2
Pigs	937,814	139,778	-20.3
Horses used in agriculture..	308,552	96,480	- 1.8
Unbroken horses 1 year old and upwards.	48,330	5,197	-24.6
Under 1 year.	31,658	1,577	- 5.8
Asses	218,439	9,280	- 1.2

VILLAGE GOSSIP.

£250 SLANDER DAMAGES FOR VICAR.

At Norwich Assizes yesterday, the Rev. Bertram Vere Vaughan, Vicar of Gayton, near King's Lynn, was awarded £250 damages against Frederick Jago, schoolmaster of the parish school, for slander. Counsel said that the statements of which complaint was made were of alleged immorality against the plaintiff, a bachelor, in regard to two women whom he had engaged as housekeepers, an allegation that one had had a child after leaving the vicar's, and a further accusation that the plaintiff had misappropriated parochial funds.

The vicar and the two women mentioned gave evidence denying the suggestions, and one of the latter said that she had had a child by a man whom she could not marry, because she was a Roman Catholic.

The Bishop of Thetford gave evidence that he had had an interview with the plaintiff concerning the village rumours, which the vicar denied.

The defendant, in the witness box, said that he once visited the vicarage garden, and saw the vicar seated in a deck chair. In front of him was one of the women referred to lying on a rug on the lawn.

Lord Finlay, in his summoning up, said that he hoped that Gayton was not typical of other Norfolk villages. A more depressing story of village slander, scandal, and spite, he should think had never been heard.

Lord Derby was announced to open a bazaar at Bury next week, but is unable to fulfil the engagement, as he has been ordered a rest.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

One Man Strike Continues.—The conference between the British Office of Works officials and the Workmen's Union ended last evening with a complete breakdown of negotiations.

London Tube Strike Threat.—A strike on the Metropolitan Railway in London is threatened owing to the refusal of the company to make concessions in certain of the claims made by two grades of workers.

New Building Trade Crisis.—Fresh trouble is brewing in the building trade in Great Britain owing to the avowed intention of two of the leading operative unions to secede from the National Wages and Conditions Council, and also from the National Federation of Building Trades Operatives.

A Costly Stowaway.—The French cable repair steamer, Edouard Jeremac, returned to Halifax (N.S.) yesterday after discovering a stowaway, aged 13. The captain decided to return to Halifax, although the ship was 30 miles out at sea, to relieve the anxiety of the boy's family. The return trip cost 500 dollars.

Footballer Burglar-Hunting.—Mr. Rhys T. Gabe, who was in the Welsh team that defeated the "All Blacks" in 1905, went to the assistance of a neighbour who reported that there was a burglar in her house, and, after a struggle, succeeded in verpowering the man. The man, who pleaded that he had been drinking, was fined £5 at Cardiff yesterday on a charge of damaging doors.

Cross-Word Puzzle Eyestrain.—Mr. W. B. Barker, President of the British Optical Association, spoke at Staple Inn, London, on eyestrain, with consequent headache, caused by studying cross-word puzzles. He said a New York eye hospital had reported this trouble, and qualified opticians in this country were now meeting with similar symptoms.

No Attack on Admiral Horthy.—In view of reports published in several foreign newspapers of an attack on the life of the Regent, Admiral Horthy, it is officially stated that no attack has been made upon the Regent. It would appear from police inquiries that the rumour originated in the hallucination of an official on the train in which the Regent was travelling, who thought that he heard the whistling of a bullet and imagined the rest.

Football Train Accident.—An inquiry was held yesterday into the football train accident in the Central Station, Glasgow, on Saturday night. One witness stated that the triple valves of the carriages, which should have been examined every six months, were last examined in May, 1923. The driver of the train, Robert Robertson, admitted that he might have misjudged the speed, or mismanaged the brake afterwards. Evidence was concluded.

Yorkshire Footballer Drowned.—The body of Lewis Marshall, a well-known forward of the Bramley Rugby League Club and the Yorkshire County team, was recovered yesterday afternoon from the canal at Kirkstal, Leeds. Marshall disappeared from home on the evening of Monday, January 5. A fortnight ago the police dragged the canal at Bramley, owing to the fact that a cap bearing the initials L. M. inside had been found on the canal bank, but without result.

Stirling Murder Charge Acquittal.—After a trial lasting four days, John Mitchell Henderson, railway coach builder, was, at Stirling Sheriff Court yesterday, acquitted on a charge of murdering a Kirkintilloch watchmaker with a hammer. The accused man's defence was an *alibi*, and there was no direct evidence against him. The Judge agreed entirely with the verdict and exonerated the police from a charge of prompting a witness to identify Henderson in prison.

Flag Days Condemned.—"If a generation arose which would get rid of street collections, flag days, that dreadful invention of a mile of pennies, bazaars, and all those things which had destroyed the old spirit of Christian charity and giving, then we might with a clear field get more easily back to something of the old spirit that actuated those good men of old who did not give haphazardly, but used their lives and wealth and ability in the high service of God."—The Dean of York at Durham last night.

Cologne Murder Trial.—The trial of Private Wright, of the 1st Battalion of the West Yorkshire Regiment, on a charge of murdering Lance-Corporal F. L. Whiteman, of the 2nd Battalion of the Cameron Highlanders, which begins in Cologne next week, is expected to last four or five days. The case is exciting the greatest interest. The accused man will be defended by Captain A. E. Ker, V.C., of the Gordon Highlanders, and a Scottish barrister, the prosecutor being Captain Parkes, of the Northampton Regiment.

A Melbourne telegram says that the shipping situation in all the States is becoming normal.

A workman, John Walker, was oiling machinery at the tar slag works in Corporation street, Rochester (Kent), when his clothing became entangled in the cogs and he was killed.

LOCOMOTIVES FOR SOUTH AFRICA.

Contracts have been placed with Messrs. Beyer, Peacock and Co., Ltd., of Manchester, by the Union of South Africa railways for four powerful locomotives of the Garrett type, says "Modern Transport." Orders for 300 50-ton all-steel high-sided bogie wagons for the same railways have been placed with the Leeds Forge Co., Ltd., but the wheels and axles for these will be supplied by the Bochumerverein of Bochum, Westphalia, Germany. The Leeds Forge Co. have also received orders for steel vestibuled brake coaches for the London, Midland and Scottish Railway, and for 231 hopper wagons for Indian railways.

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GOSSIP FROM THE COURSE

THE WEIGHTS.

POOR SPORT AT PLUMPTON.

A FARCICAL EVENT.

FROM OUR TRAVELLING CORRESPONDENT.

LONDON, Thursday Night.

The weights for the Lincolnshire and Grand National are out, and, as the majority of people expected, Parth is top weight in the one and Silvo in the other. Parth is given the heavy burden of 9st. 6lb., but the horse is of such outstanding class among the others that little less could have been assigned to him. Silvo seemed doomed to be about the top, but it is a little surprising to find Music Hall placed 7lb. below him. Some of the French horses—notably Irismond (8st. 10lb.), Tapin (8st. 7lb.), and Golden Hope (8st. 3lb.)—do not seem so badly in the Lincolnshire, and one or other of the owners concerned may be disposed to take a chance.

I take it that Dawson City has been handicapped up to the top of his form with 8st. 7lb., and the same remark applies to Pasha, with 8st. 2lb. Mignault, however, seems reasonably weighted with 7st. 10lb., and there are many possibilities about him. The handicapper seems to have noted the forward running in the Liverpool Cup of Clonespoe, for he has given him as much as 7st. 9lb. Tranquillete, however, could not have had much less than the 7st. 2lb. he has been given. Grave Fairy has 6st. 9lb., which is about the weight most people expected. D'Orsay and Dumas, who have already been backed, seems well in, and, altogether, the handicap seems one which will lead to some speculation.

I was afraid that Fly Mask would be penalised in the Grand National on account of his performance last year, and that he would be near the 12st. mark. He has been given 11st. 11lb., so that Mr. Topham cannot be regarded as having treated him with any undue leniency. Still he is not handicapped out of it, and I shall be prepared to find his name a week hence among the acceptors. Conjuror II., with 11st. 7lb., is 4lb. below his old stable-companion, Fly Mask, and he is fairly well in. Naturally, Ballinode, after winning the Grand Sefton, has ascended in the scale, and the Sligo mare is given 11st. 6lb., so that she cannot be regarded as thrown in. Max is well handicapped with 11st. 5lb., on the same mark as Eureka II., and if Mr. Ussher can deliver him at the post sound and well he might want a great deal of beating. Rathory gets 11st. 3lb. and Ballymacrory a stone less, while Cairbre and Thirty Bob each are in among the 10st lot. The acceptances will be published next week, and these will help to clarify our ideas on the subject of each race.

DECLARED VOID.

The racing this afternoon at Plumpton was relieved from deadly monotony by the farcical character attached to some of it. One event, the Ringmer Novices' Steeplechase, had to be declared void. At the fence past the stands three of the four runners refused, and Oak Twig went on alone, but he refused at the open ditch not once, but half a dozen times. In the meantime, Gappie had been remounted, but he kept on refusing the next fence. His jockey, however, got him over, and then he came to the ditch. Then there was a terrific refusing match between him and Oak Twig. When they had exceeded the fifteen minutes allowed for a race the event was declared void. The shrieks of uproarious laughter which greeted this race was the only bright spot in a terrible afternoon, for storms of rain had drenched the course throughout the day, and the going was beyond description.

A horse who has run with distinction in Ireland, Golden Hero—I believe he once won the Turf Club Cup at the Curragh—won the last race of the day, the Hopeful Hurdle. He does not act in the soft going, but when the other two runners fell he won in a canter from the re-mounted Castlereagh. This Golden Hero, it may be noted, was the first winner trained in England by Alec Waugh, a nephew of the family who are so well-known at Newmarket. His father was for a quarter of a century the Kaiser's trainer at the Graditz Stud, and he himself trained many winners in Germany before the war. An excellent horse-master, Waugh, now that he has broken the ice with a winner from his stable, should go a long way.

Tara King, a horse that was formerly owned by Colonel Croft, was an odds-on favourite for the January Steeplechase, but he was caught at the last fence, and run out of it by an unknown horse called Off the Bat.

Runners may be scarce to-morrow at Kempton Park on account of heavy going. However, I expect MAXTOI to win the Littleton Handicap Steeplechase and HONG KONG the Kempton Park Hurdle. There will be a good race for the Middlesex Hurdle, which I expect ROYAL ARCHER to win from Up Garryowen and Tudor King.

GALTEE MORE.

THE *IRISH FIELD*.

An article on Racing in England, by one of the best known cross-Channel writers, appears weekly in the *Irish Field* under the *nom-de-plume* of "Barcaldine." On sale at all newsagents. Price 2d.—(Advt.)

SPECIAL SELECTIONS FOR TO-DAY.

Daily Mirror:—Double—King Pippin and Cash Box.

Westminster Gazette:—To-day's best—Royal Archer. Double—King Pippin and Royal Archer.

Daily News:—Double—May B. and Royal Archer.

Daily Express:—Double — All Away and Head Master. Safety bet—Head Master.

Daily Graphic:—Double—King Pippin and Royal Archer.

"FORM" HORSES.

KEMPTON PARK.

1.30—Cross Paddy.
2. 0—May B.
2.30—Hong Kong.
3. 0—Maxtoi.
3.30—Libretto.
4. 0—Royal Archer.
Double—Cross Paddy and Royal Archer.

A Student of Form.

BETTING FORECAST.

KEMPTON PARK.

1.30 Race—7 to 4 agst. Henry B, 3 to 1 Greenogue, 4 to 1 Glengarry II., 6 to 1 St. Enda's, 8 to 1 Devonport, 10 to 1 each Cross Paddy and White Cockade, 100 to 6 any other.

2.0 Race—Evens May B, 3 to 1 agst. Boult, 5 to 1 Pomminnetta, 7 to 1 Ulster Bay, 8 to 1 each Buckle and Shappell, 10 to 1 any other.

2.30 Race—3 to 1 agst. King Pippin, 4 to 1 Beyrob, 11 to 2 Hong Kong, 7 to 1 All Away, 8 to 1 Cavalier, 10 to 1 Herne the Hunter, 100 to 8 any other.

3.0 Race—2 to 1 agst. Maxtoi, 3 to 1 Mr. Madcap, 11 to 2 Charlie Wise, 7 to 1 What Luck, 8 to 1 Sir Huon, 10 to 1 Dinah Morris, 100 to 6 any other.

3.30 Race—5 to 4 agst. Patsey V., 5 to 2 Cash Box, 4 to 1 Daydawn, 7 to 1 Lee Bridge, 8 to 1 Libretto, 10 to 1 any other.

4.0 Race—2 to 1 agst. Royal Archer, 7 to 2 Tudor King, 5 to 1 Earlestown, 7 to 1 Monk of Blyth, 8 to 1 Palomides, 10 to 1 any other.

KEMPTON PARK

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME AND SELECTIONS.

After the poor sport witnessed at Plumpton, racegoers will welcome the call to Kempton Park to-day, and, judging by the excellent entries which have been received for the various events, racing should be on a somewhat high scale. The centrepiece of a very attractive card is the Handicap Hurdle Race, which will be contested by some of the best timber-toppers in training, and this race has a very open appearance. Emphatic has plenty of weight, and in all probability will not be sent from Wantage, while I cannot fancy that Cavalier is smart enough to concede weight to some of the others engaged. Border Ranger is said to be another likely absentee, but both Hong Kong and Beyrob are expected to go to the post. Of this pair I prefer the former, who has the more consistent form to his credit, but he also has plenty of weight. King Pippin ran second to Detritus over this course last November, and may go one better now, but my choice is All Away, who has missed several engagements of late, and who will have the assistance of F. Rees in the saddle. Selections:—

Weybridge Steeplechase—**Glengarry II.**
Sunbury Hurdle—**May B.**
Handicap Hurdle—**All Away.**
Littleton Steeplechase—**Mr. Madcap.**
Amateurs' Steeplechase—**Woodland's selected**
Middlesex Hurdle—**Royal Archer.***
DOUBLE—**Royal Archer and May B.**

1.30—WEYBRIDGE (S.) STEEPLECHASE of 200 sovs. Second receives 15 sovs. and third 10 sovs. Winner to be sold for £50. 2½ m.

	Age st. lb.
GLENGARRY II. (Mr. H. A. Brown) ... H. A. Brown	a 12 2
GREENOGUE (Major D. Campbell) ... Westmorland	a 12 2
DEVONPORT (Mr. F. Hartigan) ... F. Hartigan	a 12 2
THE STAR (Mr. R. Williams) ... H. Law	a 12 2
WHITE COCKADE (Mr. J. W. Wood) ... Stanley	a 12 2
SHUWAN (Lady Edgar) ... Whitaker	5 11 10
(The above have arrived.)	
CULPRIT (Maj. H. Eves) ... W. Payne	a 12 2
HENRY B. (Mr. B. Fitch) ... G. Poole	a 12 2
BROWNSTOWN (Mr. G. N. Bennett) ... G. Bennett	a 12 2
ST. ENDAS (Miss O. R. Black) ... Stanley	a 12 2
DUNADRY (Mrs. A. Blain) ... Spittle	a 12 2
BLENHEIM (Mr. I. Isaacs) ... Hyams	6 12 2
UNCLE JAMES (Maj. D. M. Methven) ... Powell	a 12 2
CROSS PADDY (Mr. W. Nightingall) ... W. Nightingall	a 12 2
GOLDEN FLEECE (Mr. W. Parrish) ... H. Harrison	a 12 2
ROSEL (Miss B. Powney) ... Kemp	a 12 2
HACKHAM (Mrs. C. Stevens) ... C. Stevens	a 12 2

2.0—SUNBURY FOUR-YEAR-OLD SELLING HURDLE RACE of 200 sovs. Second receives 15 sovs. and third 10 sovs. 2 m.

	st. lb.
MAY B. (Mr. W. H. McAlpine) (£50) ... G. Poole	10 5
SHAPPELL (Major D. M. Methven) (£50) ... Powell	10 5
BUCKLE (Mrs. A. E. Sanders) (£50) ... McKie	10 5
ULSTER BAY (Mr. W. T. Warner) (£50) ... Newey	10 5
(The above have arrived.)	
POMMINNETTA (Mr. E. A. Aston) (£50) ... E. Doyle	10 5
HEROD ANTIPAS (Major H. T. Barclay) (£50) ... Gore	10 5
SPEAR O' WAR (Mr. G. N. Bennett) (£50) ... G. Bennett	10 5
BOULT (Mr. G. N. Bennett) (£50) ... G. Bennett	10 5
ALIETTE (Mr. T. A. Edge) (£50) ... Smyth	10 5
SKYSTAR (Mr. R. C. Huggett) (£50) ... Anthony	10 5
THISTLE GLASS (Mr. J. E. Rowson) (£50) ... Beatty	10 5
BLACK JERRY (Mr. F. N. Smith) (£50) ... Bletsoe	10 5
CAMBIO (Mr. F. C. Whitehead) (£50) ... W. Nightingall	10 5
GLEN GALANTE (Lt.-Col. M. Wingfield) (£50) ... Pope	10 5
IRISH SKIES (Mr. S. Wootton) (£50) ... Hanley	10 5

2.30—KEMPTON PARK H'CAP HURDLE RACE of 300 sovs. Second receives 35 sovs. and third 15 sovs. 2 m. (Weights raised 4lb.)

	Age st. lb.
CAVALIER (Mrs. H. M. Lloyd) ... Anthony	a 12 5
FRONT LINE (Mr. O. F. Mosley) ... Mosley	a 12 1
HONG-KONG (Mr. A. M. Jones) ... H. Turner	a 11 12
KING PIPPIN (Sir F. Price) ... Gilbert	6 11 8
SON O' LOVE (Mr. H. J. Boam) ... East	6 10 13
DOWSER (Mr. G. Hooper) ... J. T. Dodd	5 10 8
(The above have arrived.)	
EMPHATIC (Mr. H. McKenna) ... McKenna	6 12 7
BORDER RANGER (Mrs. H. G. Gregson) ... C. Young	5 11 13
BEYROB (Mr. H. Escott) ... H. Escott	a 11 12
HERNE THE HUNTER (Major H. A. Wernher) ... Weatherill	6 11 12
GOLDEN (Mr. A. Boutall, jun.) ... Higgs	4 11 8
ALL AWAY (Mr. J. Howeson) ... W. Nightingall	5 11 6
CROISEUR (Mr. W. F. Larkin) ... Larkin	6 11 3
PHAROAH (Miss T. Coulman) ... Hedges	6 11 3
CANOPUS (Mrs. D'Arcy Baker) ... Martin	6 11 1
SIMON'S LIGHT (Mrs. G. Jones) ... Newey	6 11 1

3.0—LITTLETON HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 200 sovs. Second receives 35 sovs. and third 15 sovs. 2 m.

	Age st. lb.
MAXTOI (Mr. E. Platt) ... F. Hartigan	a 12 4
MR. MADCAP (Mrs. C. Jones) ... Newey	a 11 10
SIR HUON (Lord Woolavington) ... Gore	a 11 7
PROVIDENCE (Mr. E. H. Tattersall) ... G. Poole	a 10 9
(The above have arrived.)	
DUDLEY (Lord Londesborough) ... H. A. Brown	a 12 12
ARDUOUS (Major Norris) ... G. Bennett	a 12 2
CYLVIDA (Mr. F. W. Keen) ... H. Harrison	a 11 12
PRIORITY (Mr. Douglas Clarke) ... Gore	a 11 6
WHAT LUCK (Mr. G. Hyams) ... Hyams	a 11 5
CHARLIE WISE (Mr. A. C. Saunders) ... Martin	a 11 2
DINAH MORRIS (Sir Ernest Wills) ... De Winton	a 11 1
CHICAGO (Mr. A. E. Aston) ... E. Doyle	a 11 0
WEE LADDIE (Capt. H. C. Davy) ... Goby	6 11 0
PROGRESS (Mrs. D'Arcy Baker) ... Martin	a 11 0
KNOCKCROGHERY II. (Mr. H. A. Brown) ... H. A. Brown	a 11 0
HEAD MASTER (Mr. T. W. Blenkiron) ... W. Nightingall	a 10 11
BLARNOR (Mr. Hugh Peel) ... E. Doyle	a 10 5
LADY BELGIAN (Mrs. K. Fenwick) ... Westmorland	6 10 5
BRIGHT BLUE (Mr. Wilmot) ... G. Poole	a 10 4
CRAGGIE ROCK (Mr. T. Hartigan) ... C. Young	a 10 0
PREDIAL (Mr. P. Goodman) ... Larkin	6 10 0
INSTOCK (Major Larnach Nevill) ... Gore	5 10 0
PASSAROE (Capt. F. Bibby) ... Withington	5 10 0

3.30—AMATEURS' HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 150 sovs. Second receives 25 sovs. and third 10 sovs. 3 m.

	Age st. lb.
PATSEY V. (Mr. B. Lemon) ... Gore	a 12 7
(The above has arrived.)	
BEN CRUCHAN (10lb ex.) (Mr. W. H. Whitbread) ... S. Bennet	a 13 7
DAYDAWN (Baron F. de Tuyll) ... F. Hartigan	a 12 9
THE BLEEKA (Mr. M. V. M'Kevitt) ... G. Poole	a 12 5
WHITE DONALD (10lb ex.) (Mr. R. M'Alpine) ... G. Poole	a 12 5
GEM (Major C. W. Norrie) ... G. Bennett	a 12 3
LEE BRIDGE (Mr. Shaw) ... Withington	a 12 1
DWARF OF THE FOREST (Mr. H. Kennard) ... S. Bennet	a 12 1
LIBRETTO (Capt. A. Grant) ... W. Payne	a 11 12
MASK MAN (Col. Fairfax) ... J. P. Wilson	a 11 10
SOUTH LODGE (Lord Suirdale) ... W. Payne	a 11 8
NAVANA (Baroness Zouche) ... A. Law	a 11 4
CONDOR (Capt. Stanyforth) ... Woodland	a 11 4
CASH BOX (Mr. R. Havelock Allan) ... Woodland	a 11 4
HOW NICE (Miss P. Jones) ... Sheridan	a 11 4
FRIAR TUCK (Mr. J. W. Wood) ... Stanley	a 10 10
CLONMEL (Mr. F. E. Groves) ... Mosley	a 10 7
JOE MACK (Mr. F. E. Austin) ... G. Bennett	a 10 7

4.0—MIDDLESEX HURDLE RACE of 200 sovs. For horses which at closing have not won a hurdle race. Second receives 35 sovs. and third 15 sovs. 2 m.

	Age st. lb.
TUDOR KING (Mr. J. S. Courtauld) ... A. Law	5 12 4
ROYAL ARCHER (Mr. O. W. Rayner) ... East	4 12 0
MONK OF BLYTH (Ld. Barnby) ... Westmorland	6 11 10
DREPANE (Mr. J. W. Corrigan) ... T. Leader	5 11 10
DOWSER (Mr. G. Hooper) ... J. T. Dodd	5 11 10
GROVINE (Captain C. B. Petre) ... Rayson	5 11 10
LACOCK (Sir Francis Price) ... Gilbert	5 11 10
PENDOR (Miss C. Edgar) ... Whitaker	4 10 12
(The above have arrived.)	
GLEN ANDRED (Mr. E. M. Crosse) ... Cundell	6 12 0
PALOMIDES (Mr. H. Forsyth) ... F. Hartigan	6 12 0
WHOSE IZZY (Mr. C. M. Methven) ... Powell	6 12 0
CELEBRATE (Mr. G. Barclay) ... Barclay	5 11 10
SKIAS (Mr. G. Duller) ... Duller	5 11 10
VAUDRICOURT (Mr. C. Green) ... C. Piggott	5 11 10
UP GARRYOWEN (Mr. H. Kershaw) ... Anthony	5 11 10
ROYAL SILVER (Mr. H. Mather) ... Larkin	5 11 10
EARLESTOWN (Mr. S. G. Pickering) ... Pickering	5 11 10
STAR DONOVAN (Mr. Quinlan) ... Villalee	5 11 10
SHAGREEN (Mr. W. Webster) ... McKenna	5 11 10
ARENTIUS (Mr. D'Arcy Baker) ... Martin	4 10 12
FINAL CHOICE (Mr. M. H. Benson) ... Whitaker	4 10 12
MacCARTHY MORE (Mr. R. Brendon) ... G. Bennett	4 10 12
BILLY BECK (Mr. W. L. Green) ... Gwilt	4 10 12
HELSBY (Mr. J. W. Harvie) ... G. Poole	4 10 12
BLARIS (Mr. H. M. Hollins) ... W. Payne	4 10 12
PHALCES (Mr. Sol Joel) ... Westmorland	4 10 12
ILLYRIAN (Sir Malcolm McAlpine) ... G. Poole	4 10 12
BENNY GLOW (Mr. H. S. Persse) ... Gore	4 10 12
FRONT ROW (Mr. W. Webster) ... McKenna	4 10 12

PLUMPTON RESULTS.

1.0—GORING SELLING STEEPLECHASE of 100 sovs. Second receives 5 sovs. 2 m.

Major D. M. Methven's b. g. UNCLE JAMES by Uncle George—Little Dote, a, 12-3 ... W. Parvin 1
Mr. J. W. Wood's SIR EYRE, a, 11-12 ... S. Holt 2
Mr. W. K. Lerwill's RED FINCH, a, 11-13 ... Owner 3

Also ran—Square Cut (I. Boal). Off 1.1. (Winner trained by Powell.)

Betting.—"Sporting Life"—6 to 5 each agst. UNCLE JAMES and Sir Eyre, 100 to 8 any other.

"Sporting Chronicle"—6 to 5 each agst. UNCLE JAMES and Sir Eyre, 100 to 8 Red Finch, 20 to 1 Square Cut.

Won by twenty lengths; a bad third. The winner was bought in for 105 guineas.

1.30—FALMER SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 100 sovs. Second 5 sovs. 2 m.

Mr. S. J. Hyde's ch. m. PARAPLUIE, by Aquascutum—Parerga, a, 11-3 ... T. James 1
Mrs. R. Geering's COLYMBUS, a, 10-6 ... H. Hunt 2
Mr. Osmond's POLISSON, a, 12-0 ... E. Ringstead 3

Also ran—Rathcore (Mr. J. Gosden), Seacraft (H. Gordon), Graceful Mover (P. Allden), Speculator (H. Rankin), Victor (H. Reed). Off 1.30. (Winner trained by Hyde.)

Betting.—"Sporting Life"—5 to 2 agst. Polisson, 11 to 4 Rathcore, 4 to 1 Columbus, 10 to 1 PARAPLUIE or any other.

"Sporting Chronicle"—5 to 2 agst. Polisson, 3 to 1 Rathcore, 5 to 1 Columbus, 10 to 1 PARAPLUIE or any other.

Won by three lengths; five lengths. Victor was fourth and Speculator last.

The winner was sold to Mr. R. S. Fry for 165 guineas.

2.0—JANUARY STEEPLECHASE of 85 sovs.; 10 sovs. for second, and 5 sovs. for third. 3 m.

Mr. G. A. Butcher's b. g. OFF THE BAT, by Bright Bat—Noble Lady IV., 6, 10-4 ... W. Speck 1
Mr. G. S. L. Whitelaw's TARA KING, a, 11-10 ... L. Rees 2
Captain N. Alvarez's PEACEFUL PROSPECTS, a, 10-5 ... Mr. Pulford 3

Also ran—Bergate (H. Hunt). Off 2.0. (Winner trained by Butchers.)

Betting.—"Sporting Life"—6 to 4 on Tara King, 3 to 1 agst. Bergate, 7 to 1 Peaceful Prospects, 10 to 1 OFF THE BAT.

"Sporting Chronicle"—6 to 4 on Tara King, 3 to 1 agst. Bergate, 8 to 1 Peaceful Prospects, 10 to 1 OFF THE BAT.

Won by ten lengths; a bad third.

2.30—STREAT HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 100 sovs., and 10 sovs for second. 2 m.

Mr. G. Duller's br. g. PICCOLISKO, by Poor Boy—Fairy, a, 9-13 ... A. Blunden 1
Mr. L. Hammond's ROYAL BUCKS, a, 10-9 ... G. Duller 2
Captain D. Fitzgerald's FELTHAM HILL, a, 11-2 ... F. Wootton 3

Also ran—Antimagic (E. Ringstead), West Croft (F. Brookes). Off 2.30. (Winner trained by Duller.)

Betting.—"Sporting Life"—Evens Antimagic, 4 to 1 agst. Royal Bucks, 5 to 1 PICCOLISKO, 6 to 1 Feltham Hill, 10 to 1 West Croft.

"Sporting Chronicle"—Evens Antimagic, 4 to 1 agst. Royal Bucks, 5 to 1 PICCOLISKO, 7 to 1 Feltham Hill, 10 to 1 West Croft.

Won by six lengths; a bad third. West Croft was last.

3.0—RINGMER NOVICES' STEEPLECHASE of 100 sovs., and 10 sovs. for second. 2 m.

Gappie (A. Francis), Mountain Land (Mr. Curzon-Howe), Chief Captain (J. Maher), and Oak Twig (C. Lawrence) were weighed out and started, but all refusing, the race was declared void.

Betting.—"Sporting Life"—5 to 4 agst. Gappie, 3 to 1 Chief Captain, 7 to 2 Oak Twig, 8 to 1 Mountain Land.

"Sporting Chronicle"—5 to 4 agst. Gappie, 3 to 1 Chief Captain, 100 to 30 Oak Twig, 8 to 1 Mountain Land.

3.25—HOPEFUL HURDLE RACE of 80 sovs., and 5 sovs for second. 2 m.

Captain T. H. Bird's ch. g. GOLDEN HERO, by Prospector—Lady Menander, a, 11-7 ... C. Donnelly 1
Mr. G. S. L. Whitelaw's CASTLEREAGH, 6, 11-5 ... I. Boal 2

Also ran—Bedstone (Mr. Curzon-Howe). Off 3.29. (Winner trained by A. Waugh.)

Betting.—"Sporting Life"—5 to 4 on GOLDEN HERO, 6 to 4 agst. Castlereagh, 100 to 7 Bedstone.

"Sporting Chronicle"—5 to 4 on GOLDEN HERO, 6 to 4 agst. Castlereagh, 100 to 7 Bedstone.

Won by six lengths. Only two finished.

AUTEUIL ENGLISH ENTRIES.

The following entries have been received in London for the Auteuil Summer Meeting, 1925:—

Grand Steeplechase de Paris: to be run on Sunday, June 21—Rathcoole, Jort, White Park, Dwarf of the Forest, Gardenrath, Royal Chancellor, and Ben Cruchan.

Grand Course de Haies d'Auteuil: to be run on Wednesday, June 24—Savernake, Rathcoole, Jort, Golden, Roi Rouge, Dark David, Ormada, Royal Archer, Red Gauntlet, and Sancroft.

SPORTING PARAGRAPHS.

Antimagic broke a blood vessel while running in the Streat Hurdle Race at Plumpton yesterday.

F. Brookes, who broke his wrist while riding his motor cycle eight weeks ago, had his first mount since the accident on West Croft in the Streat Hurdle at Plumpton yesterday.

A private inquiry was held by the Stewards at Plumpton yesterday into the running of Adalew in the Brighton Steeplechase the previous afternoon, but the result was not communicated.

Jockeys' engagements at Kempton Park to-day.—Weybridge Steeplechase—Greenogue, J. Hogan, junior. Kempton Park Hurdle—King Pippin, L. Rees; All Away, F. Rees; Beyrob, A. Escott. Littleton Steeplechase—Maxtoi, F. Rees; Wee Laddie, R. Trudgill. Middlesex Hurdle—Glen Andred, F. Wootton; Drepane, C. Donnelly; Up Garryowen, J. Anthony; Royal Archer, H. East.

OFFICIAL SCRATCHINGS.

KEMPTON PARK MEETING.

Brentford H'cap Hurdle—Herbert's Choice, Zenon.
Cranford 'Chase—Good Points Southend.
Middlesex Hurdle Race—Pomme de Guerre.
Littleton 'Chase—Taffytus.

MISCELLANEOUS.

All engagements under National Hunt Rules—Humpty Dumpty, Irish Skies, and Indiscretion.
County H'cap Hurdle, National Hunt Meeting, Cheltenham—George Drake.

SEWELL'S SALE OF HUNTERS.

Made hunters were in good demand at Sewell's Repository, Lower Mount street, Dublin, yesterday, when the attendance was well up to pre-war average for an ordinary sale. The bidding all through was unusually brisk, and practically every lot brought into the ring was sold. Appended are some of the prices realised:—

	Gns.
Property of Mr. T. Levins Moore, M.S.H.	
Guy Fawkes, ch. g., aged, by St. Monans, dam by Medicus	200
Templar III., b. g., aged, by Melleray, dam by Wasprite (reserve)	150
Fan, b. m., aged (reserve)	80
Property of a Gentleman.	
Br. g., aged (reserve)	35
Bl. Pony Gelding, 5 yrs.	20
Property of a Lady.	
Br. m., 5 yrs.	30
Property of Mr. Neil Hannan.	
Gr. g., 5 yrs.	40
Property of Mr. A. C. Kinahan.	
Ch. g., 6 yrs., by Sandstone	48
Property of Sir Nugent Everard.	
Gr. m., aged, by Goblet	48
Ch. g., aged	30
Property of Mr. J. Toohey.	
B. g., by The Reeve, dam by Ionian	36
Ch. g., 6 yrs., by Primus, dam by Merry Saint	30
Property of Mrs. R. F. Goodman.	
Bl. m., about 7 yrs., by Machakos	30
Property of Mrs. F. M. Coyle.	
Ch. m., by Frontino, dam by Red Prince II. (reserve)	100
Property of Mr. William Duffy.	
Ch. g., 6 yrs., by Poet Laureate—Savoorneen (reserve)	150
Betty Laureate, ch. m., 6 yrs., by Poet Laureate—Petty's Fancy (reserve)	130
B. m., 4 yrs., by Honey Bee—Betty's Fancy	82
B. g., aged, by Bachelor's Hope—Miss Ellen	20
Ellen's Book, ch. f., 3 yrs., by Book, dam by Llangibby	30
Property of Captain J. H. Dudgeon.	
Titus, b. g.	80
Property of J. D. G. Chaytor.	
Ch. g., aged	52

LEOPARDSTOWN JANUARY MEETING, 1925.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 31st.
FIRST RACE, 2.15 P.M.

A Train, with Reserved Carriages for Members, leaves Harcourt street Station at 1.25 p.m., returning from Foxrock at 4.35 p.m., after racing is over.

Members will only be admitted to reserved carriages on production of their Badges.

On the introduction of a Member, Tickets admitting to the Members' Enclosure can be obtained at the Members' Ticket Office on the Course. Gentleman, 2 gns.; Lady, 5/6.

Combined Tickets for Course and Enclosures (except Club Enclosure) can be obtained at the Booking Office at Harcourt street Station on day of Races.

—(Advt.)

SPRING HANDICAPS.

COMMENTS ON THE WEIGHTS.

It was a foregone conclusion that Parth would be top-weight for the Lincolnshire Handicap, and if in allotting him 9st. 6lb. the handicapper has given him a pound or two more than generally expected, it has to be remembered that he won the "Jubilee" last year with 9st. up, and that race is a better-class one than the Carholme event.

It is, however, regarded as doubtful if Parth will run, the belief being that he was entered mainly with the idea of keeping the weights down for his owner's French-bred horses. Of these, Torchbearer II., with only 7st. 2lb. to carry, would appear to have been favourably treated, as he has the reputation in France of being quite a useful handicapper at a mile. Grillemont, who is on the 8st. 13lb. mark with Pondoland, is estimated to be the best of the French horses, and Irismond (8st. 10lb.) the next; but it is probable that Tapin (8st. 7lb.) and Black Prince VII. (8st. 3lb.) will be regarded by our friends across the Channel as better handicapped.

Dealing now with the English entries, it is to be noted that Evander, who finished second in the race last year, has only 2lb. more to carry, whilst Grave Fairy, who was a moderate third, has been given 5lb. more. Mr. Bliss's honesty and consistency—in eleven races last year he was only once out of the first three and won seven of them—has earned him the same weight as Evander. Of the Cambridgeshire runners last year, Dawson City, Dumas, Mignault and Tranquillete seem nicely treated, and it is well within the bounds of possibility that, with Mignault and Silvo in the Grand National, Sir Edward and Lady Edgar may between them bring off a unique double. The Scottish contingent think they have another White Bud in Darragh, who, all continuing to go well with him, should strip fit to run the race of his life.

In the Grand National, Silvo, at the top, may emulate the deeds of Jerry M., Poethlyn, Manifesto and Cloister by winning with 12st. 7lb. on his back. He was third last year with 12st. 2lb. up, and improvement can be expected of him. Fly Mask, who was six lengths in front of Silvo, has gone up 13lb. Of the others, Drifter (fourth) has been dropped 2lb. and Sergeant Murphy (fifth) 3lb.; but Ballinode (eighth) has been advanced no less than 16lb., this being due to her easy victory in the Grand Sefton Steeplechase at Liverpool last November.

Winnall, who on that occasion finished a bad fourth to her, can now meet her at 5lb. better terms. His weight is 3lb. more than he had last year, when, it will be remembered, he had a clear lead when he was nearly brought down by a riderless horse at the canal turn. Another unlucky horse on that occasion was the hot favourite, Conjuror II., who was brought down by a loose horse quite early in the race. His weight has gone up 7lb., and he is called upon to meet Sergeant Murphy, his ready conqueror in 1923, on 3lb. worse terms. There are many more improbable things than the Sergeant winning again, even though he is now fifteen years old.

Conjuror II. is now trained by the Hon. A. Hastings, and some shrewd judges think the last-named may have a better in his stable in His Luck (10st. 10lb.), a magnificent jumper, whose performances have been one of the features of the present jumping season. Owing to training troubles, Punt Gun and Max would not go to the post last year. They were, respectively, fourth and sixth in 1923. Punt Gun has been dropped 6lb., but Max—who is still quite a young steeplechaser—is asked to carry the same weight as on that occasion. Music Hall, the winner three years ago, has now 3lb. more to carry. He has been patched up again, but he is not one to support before he is seen at the post. The French candidate, Gorev, has been allotted 8lb. more than Lutteur III. won with in 1909, but that celebrated French horse was only a five-year-old at the time.

Horses that have won over the Liverpool fences, though they have never actually run in the race, include Sprig (11st. 2lb.), Patsey V. (10st. 12lb.), and Gracious Gift (10st. 8lb.). Sprig gave a splendid exhibition of jumping in winning the Stanley Steeplechase—two miles two furlongs—at Liverpool last March, whilst Patsey V. and Gracious Gift have both won the Liverpool Foxhunters' Steeplechase over the full course.

The acceptances for the Lincolnshire Handicap and the Grand National are due next week.

THE WEIGHTS.

LINCOLNSHIRE HANDICAP, a sweepstakes of 20 sovs. each, with 1,000 sovs. added. For three years old and upwards. The Straight Mile. (73 entries.)

RUN WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25.

	st. lb.		st. lb.
Parth	9 6	Hurrybelle	7 4
Grillemont	8 13	Dinkie	7 4
Pondoland	8 13	Pandarus	7 4
Condover	8 12	Ruysdael	7 4
Irismond	8 10	Page Three	7 4
Evander	8 8	Stanhope	7 4
Mr. Bliss	8 8	Irish Eagle	7 3
Lighthouse	8 8	King Willow	7 3
Dawson City	8 7	Wykeham	7 3
Tapin	8 7	Crimson Dawn	7 3
Green Fire	8 6	Tranquillete	7 2
Golden Hope II.	8 3	Torchbearer II.	7 2
Jarvie	8 3	Browside	7 2
Black Prince VII.	8 3	Darragh	7 2
D'Orsay	8 2	Arganthe	7 2
Pasha	8 2	Grand Joy	7 1
Arausio	8 0	Brimstone	7 0
Beresford	8 0	Pando	7 0
Great Barrier	7 13	Celebrate	6 13
Donnelon	7 13	Spun	6 13
All Green	7 11	You Yen	6 12
Heliaster	7 11	Mardi Gras	6 12
Roysterer	7 11	Mademoiselle M.	6 11
Dumas	7 11	Grave Fairy	6 9
Insight II.	7 10	Helsby	6 9
Mignault	7 10	General Post	6 9
Clonespoe	7 9	Phantom Harry	6 8
Toriona	7 9	Li-Kwang	6 8
Paddy	7 8	Mouse Trap	6 8
Fleet Cloud	7 7	Drepane	6 7
Karl	7 7	Signet	6 7
Waygood	7 6	L.S.D.	6 7
Sunny Rose	7 6	Piper's Son	6 0
Carryduff	7 5	Seeker	6 0
Argeia	7 5	Guinea Stamp	6 0
Westmead	7 5		

Lackey and Optimist II. drawn.

GRAND NATIONAL STEEPLECHASE (handicap) of 100 sovs. each, with 5,000 sovs. (including a trophy value 200 sovs.) added. For five years old and upwards. Second to receive 700 sovs., third 400 sovs., and the fourth 150 sovs. from the stakes. About four miles 856 yards. (64 entries.)

RUN AT LIVERPOOL, FRIDAY, MARCH 27.

	st. lb.		st. lb.
Silvo	12 7	Gracious Gift	10 8
Alcazar	12 3	Dwarf of the Forest	10 8
Music Hall	12 0	Royal Edgar	10 7
Gerald L.	11 13	Keep Cool	10 7
Old Tay Bridge	11 12	Duke's Walk	10 6
Fly Mask	11 11	Mainsail	10 6
Conjuror II.	11 7	Colestown	10 5
Sergeant Murphy	11 7	Ardgour	10 5
Ballinode	11 6	Upper Rathduff	10 5
Eureka II.	11 5	Drifter	10 4
Max	11 5	Pencoed	10 3
Gorey	11 5	Ballymacrory	10 3
Chin Chin	11 4	Soldier Bill	10 0
Super Man	11 4	Rousham	10 0
White Surrey	11 4	All White	10 0
Royal Chancellor	11 3	L'Aiglon II.	10 0
Rathory	11 3	Cryptical	10 0
Ben Cruchan	11 2	John V.	10 0
Ardeen	11 2	Prudhomme	10 0
Sprig	11 2	Peter the Piper	10 0
Winnall	11 0	Tullyloet	10 0
Arravale	11 0	Ballinvalley	10 0
Patsey V.	10 12	Misconduct	10 0
The Bleeka	10 12	Kirkwhelpington	10 0
Ammonal	10 10	Jack Horner	10 0
Gem	10 10	Cairbre	10 0
His Luck	10 10	Castlefin	10 0
Punt Gun	10 9	Gardenrath	10 0
Double Chance	10 9	James Pigg	10 0
Roddyglow	10 9	Thirty-bob	10 0
Taffytus	10 9	Rabbit II.	10 0
Madrigal	10 8		
Thrown In	10 8		

QUEEN'S PRIZE, a Handicap Plate of 1,000 sovs. Second to receive 100 sovs. and third 50 sovs. out of the plate. For three years old and upwards. 1¼ miles.

RUN AT KEMPTON PARK, MONDAY, APRIL 13.

	st. lb.		st. lb.
Light Dragoon	9 0	Bucks Yeoman	7 8
Highbrow	8 12	Burslem	7 7
Stuff Gown	8 11	Labedens	7 7
Sierra Leone	8 10	Eaglestone	7 6
Evander	8 8	Pick and Choose	7 6
Eastern Monarch	8 7	Mark Marten	7 5
Obliterate	8 6	Henry the Seventh	7 4
Baton Rouge	8 4	Stallierer	7 4
Soldumeno	8 4	Star of Gold	7 4
Shippon	8 3	Sebastian	7 3
Jarvie	8 3	Bob Flint	7 3
Watford	8 2	Wandering Monk	7 2
Coramond	8 1	Brimstone	7 2
Concorde III.	8 1	Arganthe	7 1
Bellman	8 0	Virginie	7 0
D'Orsay	8 0	Celebrate	6 13
Hanson	8 0	Mandelieu	6 11
Cloudbank	7 13	On the Somme	6 10
Cockpit	7 13	General Post	6 9
Celestron	7 12	New Hope	6 7
Portlight	7 12	Dark David	6 7
Crewe	7 10	Pumple Image	6 7
Dalmyo	7 9		

Churchtown drawn.

LANCASHIRE STEEPLECHASE (handicap) of 2,000 sovs. (1,750 sovs. to the winner, 150 sovs. to the second, and 100 sovs. to the third). Three miles and a half.

RUN AT MANCHESTER, MONDAY, APRIL 13.

	st. lb.		st. lb.
Silvo	12 7	Ardgour	11 3
Clonsheever	12 5	Redbrae	10 13
Forewarned	12 5	Gem	10 13
Max	12 5	Keen Cool	10 13
Fairray	12 3	Madrigal	10 12
Vaulx	12 0	Royal Edgar	10 12
Fly Mask	11 13	Roi Rouge	10 10
Conjuror II.	11 13	Winnall	10 9
North Waltham	11 13	Rackway	10 9
Trentino	11 12	Duke's Walk	10 7
Royal Chancellor	11 12	Kheosh	10 7
Square Meal	11 11	Ballinvalley	10 6
Drinmond	11 11	Tramp Card	10 5
Chin Chin	11 10	Punt Gun	10 4
Music Hall	11 10	Santabel	10 3
Manreen Bawn	11 8	Soldier Bill	10 0
Ireland's Hope	11 7	Knight of the Wilderness	9 11
White Park	11 7	James Pigg	9 7
Jimmu	11 4	Jack Horner	9 7
Salpo's Bridge	11 3		

HUNTING.

HUNTING APPOINTMENTS.

THE WARD UNION.

January	Meet.	Hour.
Saturday, 31st	9-Mile Stone	1.30

THE KILDARE.

Saturday, 31st	Rathcoole	11. 0

THE MEATH.

To-day	Kilmoon	11. 0

FINGAL HARRIERS—To-day, Naul, at 12 o'c.

HILLSIDE HARRIERS—To-morrow (Saturday), Furhouse, at 2 o'clock.

THE MEATH HOUNDS.—By-ray, Wednesday, February 4th, Gibbstown.

U.H.C.—February — Monday, 2, Dundillerick; Wednesday, 4, Lisnegar; Friday, 6, Killeendaniel; Monday, 9, Ballyedmond; Wednesday, 11, Ballyvolane; Friday, 13, Anacarton Bridge. At eleven o'clock.

TIPPERARY FOXHOUNDS.—January—Friday, 30th, Barne Park Cross-roads. Feb.—Monday, 2nd, Ballylusky Village; Thursday, 5th, Mayfield Cross; Friday, 6th, Cahir Park; Monday, 9th, Lanespark. At 11.30.

DUHALLOW HOUNDS.—February — Monday, 2nd, Abbey's Well; Tuesday, 3rd, Rockmills; Thursday, 5th, Castlewrixon Cross; Saturday, 7th, Cecilstown; Monday, 9th, Bell's Cross; Tuesday, 10th, Terry's Screens; Thursday, 12th, Clonees; Saturday, 14th, Doneraile. At 11 a.m.

THE WARD UNION.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

The hounds met at Oberstown cross-roads on Wednesday, a tryst substituted for Batterstown, in order to hunt an outlying stag which had harboured in the woods of Lismullen since evading capture on two previous occasions. Finding quickly in Lismullen, where the stag had been well cared for by the sporting owners, the chase started through the park, and out across the Navan road, in the Garlow Cross direction. Leaving Garlow Cross on the right, the hunt continued on through Gerrardstown and Staffordstown, and by Follytown and Brownstown, until the Nanny River was reached. Here the stag had soiled in the water, and going away refreshed by Corballis, he led the chase at a great pace by Kentstown to Somerville, and by Balrath across the Slane road to Gaulstown, and on by Snugborough to Mullaghfin. Here scent began to fail as the pack hunted over Mullaghfin Hill and sank the long valley to Brielly, and only a faint line could be held through the Monken bottoms to Garballagh, the stag remaining an outlier near Duleek. This was a good hunt of about two hours, and covering a great extent of country, the extreme points being about 10 miles apart, while the stag, who had been outlying for two months, showed great resource and a wonderful knowledge of the country.

THE MEATH HOUNDS.

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

The present week opened on Monday at Ardsallagh, when foxes seemed to be scarce all day, the only real item of interest being a fast scurry from Philpotstown over the Black Lane to ground. Will FitzSimons, who was carrying the horn, was unfortunate enough to jump against a tree and damaged his knee, which it is hoped will soon be all right.

On Tuesday the meet was at Kilbride, when Ballymacarney, which has not held for three years, was the first draw. It held to-day; and a word of praise is due to Mr. Frank Cannon (who bought the place some time back) for having so greatly improved the covert. The fox broke quickly, pointing for Kilrue, but was headed and got to ground after a short ring between Ballymacarney and Hollywoodrath. Priestown was blank, but a fox was out of Cheeverstown at once, and was hunted over Peacockstown to Glascairn, then right-handed into Kilrue, and through it to the lane at Harlockstown, where he beat us at the end of thirty minutes. Kilrue was returned to and held another fox, who selected a good line—viz., by Raystown to the river below Ashbourne; then right-handed over Killeglands to the 9-Milestone, and on to Donaghmore, where scent, which was poor all day, "fizzled" out. The time of this hunt was fifty minutes. Lagore, later, did not hold, which finished an enjoyable day.

I have been asked to call attention to the harm which may be done by parties anticipating the arrival of hounds at any particular covert. It is not fair to a master nor anyone, but least of all to a covert-owner who is keen to have a find. An occurrence of this sort has been reported to me as having taken place at Potterton's recently, when the animated conversation indulged in caused a brace of foxes to leave the covert before the arrival of the pack.

THE KILDARE HOUNDS.

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

The bitterly cold easterly wind blowing on Monday last at Eagle Hill did not make for sport, and the time spent in unavoidable digging, in an exposed position, did not tend to keep up the temperature of the field. The day, however, had its good points; for Eagle Hill held a leash or more foxes, one of which was hunted to ground on the edge of the bog, and it was decided to dig this refuge out. It held a badger and a vixen, the former of which was killed, but the latter left "undamaged." In the shelter of Martinstown the temperature seemed to rise, but none of the fox tribe in it could be got to leave it, which is a common occurrence in this covert.

On Tuesday at "the Kennels" there was a big gathering, when I was much struck by the excellent lot of horses Mr. Lockwood has succeeded in acquiring during the short interval since his arrival—several from Mr. Roche, and the remainder bought from farmers in Kildare, which seems to foretell how well the Kildare staff will be mounted next season. Coolmoonan, near the canal, and its surroundings failed to respond, as did Herbertstown; so we had quite done a lot of hacking before Sillott Hill was reached. A fine fox soon left it and, having crossed the Dublin road, ran over a deep bit of country into Sallymount, where he got in. It was another good trek to the Baron's Bog, where several foxes were soon on foot. The selected one took us rather twistingly to Punchestown Gorse, out of which he broke towards the hills. The prospect of a gallop on the good going seemed excellent, but at the furry hills, on the far side of the course, the bitches came to a stand-still, and Alf Hoare's all-round cast failed to hit off the line No more was done.

CHESS.

ARMSTRONG CUP CONTEST.

The youngest chess organisation in Dublin met the oldest when General Headquarters visited the Dublin Club for their Armstrong Cup encounter. The result was inevitable, and the Army players are to be congratulated on putting up a stiff struggle against their seniors, who had five players of the first quality in their team.

The home players had the opening move on the even boards, and these four games were the first to finish. Lieutenant Sean O'Connor played a very sound defence against Mr. Laracy, and (as the latter remarked) but for one oversight he had no prospect of victory. The game to No. 1 board between the former Irish champion, Mr. Cranston, and Commandant Cotter was long and interesting. Mr. Cranston finally scored.

The teams and scores were as follow:—

Dublin.		G.H.Q.	
1. T. G. Cranston	1	Commdt. Cotter	0
2. N. H. Wallace	1	Comdt. O'Connor	0
3. J. J. Doyle	1	Capt. Nolan	0
4. P. J. Laracy	1	Lt. S. O'Connor	0
5. W. Moffat Wilson	1	Lieut. Mallin	0
6. A. F. Falkiner	1	Lieut. Daly	0
7. J. Morrissey	1	Sgt. Myers	0
8. J. Reynolds	1	Lt. Steinmayer	0
Total	7		0

ASSOCIATION.

THE OXFORD v. CAMBRIDGE MATCH.

The following players have been selected to play for Cambridge against Oxford at Stamford Bridge on Wednesday, February 4th:—C. T. Bennett (Harrow and Pembroke); R. W. le R. de Koven (Lancing and Pembroke), and J. Fleming (Jarrow and St. John's); J. K. Reid (Lancing and Trinity), H. F. Robinson (Shrewsbury and Pembroke), and P. E. M. Mellor (Westminster and St. John's); A. R. Taylor (Sandwich and Queen's), D. M. Smith (Malvern and Clare), F. R. Kay (Rydal and Trinity Hall), R. G. H. Lowe (Westminster and Trinity), and E. D. Capel-Slaughter (Eton and Clare) (capt.).

CRICKET.

M.C.C. BEAT TASMANIA.

LAUNCESTON, January 29.

Tasmania to-day made a fine effort in the last innings of their match against the M.C.C. team, but were beaten by 119 runs, the game coming to a conclusion shortly after half-past three o'clock. In adding 234 to their overnight total of 30 for 2 wickets, they were chiefly indebted to G. Martin, who contributed 121 in two hours, by very enterprising and attractive cricket. His innings was marked by splendid driving on both sides of the wicket, and his hits included fifteen 4's. Although the weather was showery, the pitch was in good condition when play was resumed. A poor start was made, half the side being out for 63, but with G. Martin and Findlay together for the sixth wicket runs came rapidly, and the 150 was sent up when the innings had progressed an hour and fifty-five minutes, the last fifty being scored in twenty-three minutes. At the luncheon interval the total stood at 156, Martin's score then being 62 and Findlay's 36. Soon after the resumption Findlay was run out for a well-played 39, the partnership putting on a hundred runs in an hour and ten minutes. Martin and Newton then carried the total to 240, but after the dismissal of the latter wickets fell rapidly, and the innings closed for 264. It lasted altogether three hours and twenty-four minutes.

M.C.C.

First Innings	218
Second Innings (7, declared)	331

TASMANIA.

First Innings	166
Second Innings.	
C. Allen c Tyldesley b Tate	2
G. Bennett c Bryan b Hearne	20
D. Green c Whysall b Tyldesley	4
C. Martin l.b.w. b Tyldesley	5
G. Martin c Chapman b Tate	121
N. Davis b Tyldesley	10
A. Findlay run out	39
A. Newton c Hearne b Howell	41
A. Davis b Howell	1
P. Henty not out	7
A. Shugg c Whysall b Howell	0
Extras	14
Total	264

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

Tasmania.—Second Innings—Tate, 2 for 47; Howell, 3 for 43; Kilner, 0 for 37; Hearne, 1 for 42; Tyldesley, 3 for 63; Bryan, 0 for 18.

MR. JOEL'S XI. BEATS EASTERN PROVINCE.

GRAHAMSTOWN, Thursday.

The two-day match between Mr. Joel's XI. and an XI. of the Eastern Province ended here to-day in a win for the Englishmen by eight wickets. Score:—

EASTERN PROVINCE.

First Innings	62
Second Innings.	
Pagden c Bartley b Geary	8
Glagell c Bartley b Parker	13
Dold b Geary	57
Braun l.b.w. b Parker	28
Munro b Marriott	3
Woods b Kennedy	18
Bolus st Bartley b Kennedy	3
Davies b Geary	8
Bennett st Bartley b Kennedy	7
Ochse b Kennedy	10
Walters not out	3
Extras	7
Total	165

MR. JOEL'S XI.

First Innings	212
Second Innings.	
E. L. D. Bartley b Ochse	0
A. H. Gilligan not out	13
C. S. Marriott c Dold b Ochse	0
Hon. L. H. Tennyson not out	2
Extras	4
Total (2 wkts.)	19

Bowling.—Eastern Province, 2nd Innings—Geary, 3 for 54; Kennedy, 4 for 65; Parker, 2 for 14; Marriott, 1 for 17; Jameson, 0 for 8.

BADMINTON.

IRISH CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT.

The handicap events having been brought up to the final stages during the early part of the week, the open events in the Irish Championship Badminton Tournament were started yesterday afternoon, in the Concert Hall, Woodbrook. Considerable progress was made in the various competitions during the day, and now only a couple of matches remain to be played to bring all the events up to the finals, all of which will be played off to-morrow.

The International match, between Ireland and Scotland, will be played to-day, and judging by the form displayed by some of the Scottish players in the open events yesterday many interesting games should be witnessed.

The matches start at 6.30, and voucher tickets will be obtainable by the 5.30 from Harcourt street and the 6.15 from Westland Row, both trains stopping at Woodbrook. Details:—

GENTLEMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP SINGLES.

G. S. B. Mack (Ireland) beat J. Barr (Scotland)—15-0, 15-8.

R. A. Goff (Ireland) beat H. P. Beckett (Scotland)—12-15, 15-10, 17-16.

J. B. Blair (Scotland) beat J. C. Murray (Scotland)—15-11, 15-9.

F. A. Kennedy (Ireland) a bye.

Semi-Final Round.

Mack beat Goff—15-1, 15-4.
Kennedy beat Blair—15-1, 15-6.

LADIES' CHAMPIONSHIP SINGLES.

Miss Cochrane (Scotland) beat Miss Armstrong (Scotland)—11-7, 11-4.

Semi-Final Round.

Miss Cochrane w.o., Miss S. F. MacDonald (Scotland), scr.

Mrs. Tragett (England) beat Mrs. Manning (Ireland)—11-3, 11-3.

GENTLEMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP DOUBLES.

First Round.

J. C. Murray and H. P. Beckett beat G. E. Quinn and R. E. McGuire—15-5, 15-9.

G. A. Overend and R. Neilson beat F. A. Kennedy and R. Jackson—18-14, 6-15, 15-11.

LADIES' CHAMPIONSHIP DOUBLES.

Mrs. Tragett and Mrs. Price beat Miss Macfarlane and Miss Armstrong—15-11, 11-15, 15-13.

Semi-Final Round.

Mrs. Good and Mrs. Plews beat Mrs. Tragett and Mrs. Price—15-9, 6-15, 15-11.

Mrs. Head and Miss Homan beat Miss MacDonald and Miss Homan—11-15, 15-1, 15-7.

MIXED CHAMPIONSHIP DOUBLES.

R. A. Jackson and Miss Cochrane beat R. E. McGuire and Mrs. Goodbody—15-6, 15-11.

R. A. Goff and Miss Homan beat W. Hamilton and Mrs. Good—15-4, 15-6.

G. S. B. Mack and Mrs. Tragett beat J. Barr and Miss MacDonald—15-11, 15-12.

Second Round.

G. A. Overend and Mrs. Head beat J. C. Murray and Miss Macfarlane—15-10, 15-8.

J. A. Blair and Mrs. Price beat H. Neilson and Mrs. Fry—15-5, 2-15, 15-5.

TO-DAY'S INTERNATIONAL TEAMS.

GENTLEMEN'S SINGLES.

G. S. B. Mack (I.) v. H. Neilson (S.); F. Kennedy (I.) v. H. P. Murray (S.).

GENTLEMEN'S DOUBLES.

G. S. B. Mack and R. A. Goff (I.) v. H. Neilson and P. J. Barr (S.); F. A. Kennedy and R. H. Lambert (I.) v. H. Jackson and J. C. Blair (S.); J. Davidson and G. A. Overend (I.) v. J. C. Murray and H. P. Beckett (S.).

LADIES' DOUBLES.

Mrs. Head and Miss Homan (I.) v. Miss MacDonald and Miss Cochrane (S.).

MIXED DOUBLES.

Davidson and Mrs. Head (I.) v. R. S. Jackson and Miss Cochrane (S.); R. A. Goff and Mrs. Good (I.) v. J. Barr and Miss MacDonald (S.); R. H. Lambert and Miss Homan (I.) v. J. Murray and Miss Macfarlane (S.).

BILLIARDS.

IRISH AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP.

L. TOZER v. P. BRESLIN.

The fourth heat in the Irish Amateur Championship between L. Tozer and P. Breslin again attracted a good attendance at the Catholic Club, Sackville street; but, as compared with the games previously decided, last night's play was somewhat featureless. Tozer proved himself more consistent, and eventually won by 117 points. Low scoring characterised the efforts of both players, neither of whom touched his best form. At the half-way stage Tozer led by 80 points, and he kept increasing this lead towards the end. His best breaks were 29, 20 (three times), 19, 18 (twice), 17, and 16. Breslin was seen at his best in a sporting item of 24, which ended at a comparatively easy shot, his other items including 20 (twice), 17, and 16 (twice). Score:—

L. Tozer	500
P. Breslin	383

To-night's heat between J. Fenning and W. Daly is expected to provide one of the most interesting heats of the series.

SMITH v. McCONACHY.

McConachy had a little more of the play yesterday afternoon at Burroughes' Hall, London, than he had in many of the previous sessions of his 16,000 up match with Smith, but again he was outpointed. Smith made breaks of 352, 147, 141, and 132 (unfinished). McConachy had a fine break of 402 towards the end of the session, but his only other runs were 62 and 39. Interval scores—Smith (in play), 12,666; McConachy (receives 3,000), 10,611. Smith carried his unfinished break to 196 at night, and afterwards had much the best of the play, making additional runs of 169, 197, and 207 (unfinished). McConachy's chief breaks were 56 and 229, the latter including 123 off the red ball. Closing scores—Smith (in play), 13,333; McConachy (receives 3,000), 10,920.

BOXING.

MILLIGAN AND LEWIS MATCHED.

Kid Lewis has accepted the challenge of Tommy Milligan for a return contest, and the boxers will meet at catch-weights at the Albert Hall, London, early in March. Milligan's title will not be at issue

RUGBY.

FINAL TRIAL.

PROBABLES V. POSSIBLES.

It looks as if very representative teams will turn out at Lansdowne road to-morrow for the final trial match prior to the selection of the team to meet England at Twickenham on 14th February. So far only two changes have been notified—F. Jackson for T. J. Millin on the Possibles' side and R. Flood for J. McVicker on Probables' team. Teams:—

PROBABLES.

Full-back—W. E. Crawford (Lansdowne), captain.

Three-quarters—T. Hewitt (Queen's), J. B. Gardiner (North), G. V. Stephenson (Queen's), H. W. Stephenson (United Services).

Half-backs—F. S. Hewitt (Instonians), M. Sugden (Dublin University).

Forwards—G. B. Beamish (Leicester and R.A.F.), M. J. Bradley (Dolphin), D. Clinch (Dublin University), W. Collis (Wanderers), R. Collopy (Bective Rangers), D. Cunningham (North), R. D. Gray (Old Wesley), and R. Flood (Dublin University).

POSSIBLES.

Full-back—J. W. Stewart (Queen's).

Three-quarters—D. J. Cussen (Dublin University), S. Hogan (University College), F. Jackson (North), A. C. Douglas (Instonians).

Half-backs—E. Davy (University College), captain, and M. A. Rea (Queen's).

Forwards—F. V. Beamish (London-Irish), W. F. Browne (United Services), C. J. Cagney (London-Irish), W. P. Collopy (Bective Rangers), R. Y. Crichton (Dublin University), C. Hanrahan (Dolphin), T. E. McClelland (North), and another.

Referee—Dr. R. de C. Wheeler.

GALWAY (3) V. GARRYOWEN (3).

At the Grammar School grounds, Galway, yesterday, Galway were at home to Garryowen. The inclement weather militated against a big attendance, but notwithstanding the rain, which fell all the afternoon and morning, there was a fair gathering present. The ground was in a very soft condition, and after ten minutes' play became hopelessly muddy. Back play was, of course, exceedingly difficult, but an occasional passing movement was witnessed, and, having regard to all the circumstances, the handling was good. Galway were considerably below full strength, and were further handicapped by the retirement of two of their forwards early in the first half. Nevertheless the Galway forwards gave a great display, getting the ball frequently in the scrums and more than holding their own in the loose. In the first half, Garryowen, playing with a strong wind, had generally the better of the play, and before the game was fifteen minutes old Galway were penalised, and Price kicked a goal. Exchanges at midfield followed, before Galway commenced to press, but neither side gained any advantage up to half time, when Garryowen led by 3 points to nil.

In the second half Galway played a greatly improved game, and opened with a determined attack. Time and again a score looked certain before Christie relieved, and play moved back to midfield. A splendid dribble by the Galway forwards resulted in McDonogh scoring. Engwall had hard luck with the kick, the ball hitting the cross-bar. Galway again attacked, and were swarming on the visitors' line when the full time whistle went. Result:—

Garryowen—1 penalty goal (3 points).
Galway—1 try (3 points).

HOSPITALS' CUP TIE.

DENTAL (3) v. CITY OF DUBLIN (0).

Played yesterday at Donnybrook, Dental Hospital winning by a try to nil. Teams:—

Dental—T. Joyce; J. Freeman, H. Whelan, W. Brady, P. Russell; A. Atkins, E. N. Guise-Brown; M. Pigott, L. McCloskey, L. Masterson, W. G. Martin, K. Keary, T. Stafford, T. O'Connor, D. O. Connolly.

City of Dublin—A. Full; J. McGinn, J. O'Grady, C. Wilson, J. Cussen; M. Boorcen, C. Mentjes; J. Allen, E. Clarke, R. Forsyth, R. Harte, J. Keena, D. O'Brien, P. Callaghan, C. Eccles.

Referee—Mr. V. R. Patrick.

WELSH XV. TO PLAY SCOTLAND.

The Welsh XV. to play Scotland at Swansea on Saturday, February 7th, was selected yesterday at Cardiff, as follows:—

T. Johnson (Cardiff); R. A. Cornish (Cardiff), C. Thomas (Bridgend), Evan Williams (Aberavon), and W. P. James (Aberavon); W. J. Hopkins (Aberavon) and W. J. Delahay (Cardiff); C. Pugh (Maesteg), S. Morris (Cross Keys), Bryn Phillips (Aberavon), Cliff Williams (Llanelly), W. Idris Jones (Llanelly and Cambridge University), D. Parker (Swansea), Idris Richards (Cardiff) and S. Lawrence (Bridgend).

The only change from the team which lost to England at Twickenham is S. Lawrence, who takes the place of J. Gore, who has thrown in his lot with the Northern Union League Club, Salford.

RUGBY FOOTBALL.

PROBABLES v. POSSIBLES,

31st JANUARY, AT 2.45 P.M.,

AT LANSDOWNE ROAD.

Admission .... 1/6 (including Tax).

Tickets sold at Morrison's, 17 Westmoreland street; Fox, Grafton street; and Crotty, Grafton street. —(Advt.)

GOLF.

JOINT ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING.

SCRATCH SCORE AND HANDICAPPING SCHEMES ADOPTED.

The first meeting of the Joint Advisory Committee of the English Golf Union was held at Liverpool yesterday.

The principal business was the consideration of the scratch score and handicapping schemes, for which, among other purposes, the Committee was elected by the York Conference in February last. Both schemes were unanimously adopted, and it was agreed that they should be submitted to the Royal and Ancient Club Championship Committee for approval. After such approval the schemes will be submitted through the National Union to golf clubs for uniform adoption.

Satisfaction was expressed at the response of clubs to the appeal by the Union for subscriptions towards the expenses of the Walker Cup team in 1924, and it was stated that the Royal and Ancient Club had a substantial surplus on hand for future use.

It was intimated to the gathering that one of the Scottish clubs proposed to confer honorary membership on members of the Committee during their period of office. Provost J. C. Rowland, of Leven, was re-elected Chairman for 1925.

CLUB NOTICES AND REPORTS.

WATERFORD.—Officers and Committee for current year were elected as follows:—President, Sir Henry Forde, K.B.E.; Captain, Mr. T. W. Davies; Secretary, Lieutenant-Colonel J. V. Laughton, C.B.E.; Treasurer, Mr. J. Johnstone; Committee—Messrs. Wyley, Brown, Walsh, Murphy, Fitzpatrick, Brabason, Prentice, Hughes.

HOWTH (Ladies' Branch).—Postponed October Medal to-morrow: 9 holes; draws at 11.30 and 2.30. January Medal won by Miss L. Magwood; Miss Walshe qualified.

SKERRIES.—To-morrow—Monthly medal.

LAWN TENNIS.

IRISH L.T. ASSOCIATION.

The annual general meeting of the Irish Lawn Tennis Association was held at the Astoria Tea Rooms, 16 Dawson street, Dublin, last night, before a good attendance.

The following officers were elected for the coming season:—

President—Lord Glenavy.

Vice-Presidents—Mr. G. Byrne, Dr. A. P. Barry, Mr. E. D. Hill, Captain Corry, Senator Haughton, and Captain Clarke.

Hon. Secretary—Mr. H. R. Maunsell.

Hon. Treasurer—Mr. W. St. G. Perrott.

Captain Dashwood spoke on the question of giving Belfast a share of the big matches. In the realms of sport, he said, the people of the North of Ireland recognised no boundaries, and he pointed out how much the game would be benefited by holding some of the more important matches in the Northern capital.

At the conclusion of the meeting a vote of condolence was passed with Serjeant Hanna, K.C., in his recent bereavement.

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PAPER.	1.30 RACE.	2.0 RACE.	2.30 RACE.	3.0 RACE.	3.30 RACE.	4.0 RACE.
Irish Times	Glengarry II.	May B.	All Away.	Mr. Madcap.	Woodland's best.	Royal Archer.*
S. Life and Sportsman	Henry B.	Spear o' War.	Border Ranger.	Maxtoi.	Dwarf of the Forest.	Royal Archer.*
Man on the Spot	Devonport.	Pomminnetta.	Hong Kong.	Maxtoi.	Cash Box.	Royal Archer.*
Westminster Gazette	St. Endas.	May B.	King Pippin.	Maxtoi.	Cash Box.	Royal Archer.
Daily Mail	Greenogue.	Spear o' War.	All Away.	Maxtoi.	Cash Box.	Royal Archer.
Daily Express	Henry B.; if ab., Devonport.	May B.; if ab., Pomminnetta.	All Away, next best.	Head Master.*	Woodland's best; if Payne's best.	Royal Archer.
Daily Mirror	Glengarry II.	Pomminnetta.	King Pippin.*	Maxtoi.	Cash Box.	Royal Archer.
Daily Graphic	Greenogue.	Buckle.	King Pippin.*	Providence.	Patsey V.	Royal Archer.
Star	Henry B.	Pomminnetta.	Border Ranger.	Cylvida.*	Cash Box.	Royal Archer.
Evening News	Golden Fleece.	Aliette.	Hong Kong.	Predial.*	The Bleeka.	Up Garryowen.*
Evening Standard	Devonport.	Hong Kong.	G. Poole's sel.	Maxtoi.	Condor.	Tudor King.
Daily News	Glengarry II.	May B.	King Pippin.	Mr. Madcap.	Patsey V.	Royal Archer.
Times	Devonport.	Poole's selected.	King Pippin.	Maxtoi; if ab., Arduous.	Cash Box.	Royal Archer.

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FINANCIAL NEWS

MARKETS AT A GLANCE.

THURSDAY NIGHT.

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DO., CALL MONEY	2	"

IRISH STOCK EXCHANGES.

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In Steam and Canal Shares, British and Irish Pref. fell 3d. to 13s., but Grand Canal Ord. rose 2s. 6d. to 40s., and the Pref. were again called 65s., 70s. nominally.

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Dunlop Rubber Ord. rose 3d. to 11s. 3d. buyers, and later to 11s. 7½d., and Parent Tyre Pref. 1½d. to 14s. 10½d.

In Bakery Shares, Bolands rose 1s. to 47s., and in Drapery Shares, McBirneys fell 3d. to 6s. 6d. Switzers Ord. closed 82s. 6d., 87s. 6d.

Among Manufacturing Shares, British-American Tobacco fell 4½d. to 108s. 1½d. Imperials repeated 89s. 10½d. with business later at 90s., while the Canadian Shares realised 27s. 3d. Brunner Mond eased 1½d. to 42s. 7½d. Coats rallied 3d. to 65s. 3d., 65s. 6d., but Cottons fell away 9d. to 66s. 1½d., 66s., 65s. 9d., 65s. 6d. Courtaulds opened 9d. lower at 69s. 6d., but later 69s. 9d. was paid, while the Pref. fell 3d. to 19s. 6d. Helys Ord. rose 10½d. to 25s., but the Pref. fell 6d. to 17s. 6d. Lever Bros. 7 p.c. Pref. repeated 21s. 9d.

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Compensation Stock	(13 3) 13
(92) 91½	Dublin Trams...(6⅞) 6⅞
Consols .....(57⅛) 57⅛	Do. A Debs. (67⅛) 68½
5% War Loan	Parent Pf. (14 9) 14/10½
(101⅛) 101⅛	Dunlops.....(11/) 11 3, 7½
Fund. Loan...(90⅛) 89⅞	Bolands Ord.....(46/) 47
Conver. Loan.(78⅜) 78¼	M'Birney ....(6/9) 6 6
Guar. Land..(56⅞) 56⅞	Coats ....(65/) 65 3, 6
India 3½% .....(57⅛) 65⅞	Cottons ...(66 9) 66 1½
Dublin Port...(55½) 56b	
Bank of Ireland	
(287½) 287½	Courtaulds (70/3) 69 6, 9
Mun. & Lein....(6⅛) 6⅛	Do. Pref. .....(19/9) 19/6
National ....(20) 20	B.A.T. .....(108/6) 108/1½
Royal ....(14) 14	Imperial Tobacco
Distillers ......(61/6) 59/3	(89/10½) 89/10½, 90
Dub. Distillers.(47/6) 45,	Do. Canadn (27/6) 27/3
4/6, 4/-, 3/6, 40/-	Brunner Mond.... 42 7½
2/6, 1/3	Helys Ord. (24/1½) 25/-
Do. Pref...(90/) 89/-, 7	Do. Pref. ....(18/) 17/6
Guinness...(50¾) 51¼, ⅞	Lever 7% ....(21 9) 21 9
Power Pref....(19/6) 19/6	Burke Deb. ....(9) 9
Canal Ord.......(37/6) 40	Thom Pref. ...(50/) 47/6
Do. Pf.(70/-) 65/-b 70 a	Chartered .....(22/) 21/6
G.N. Ord.........(56) 56	Art. Dwellings..(6¼) 6⅜
G.S. Ord.........(35) 34⅞	Irish Times Pf. 68/-
Do. Pref.......(47½) 47¼	
Do. Guar.........(58) 58½	Radio Com......(13⅞) 13⅞
Do. Deb........(67) 67½	Do. Pref. ....(10⅝) 10⅞
	Shells .... 90/3, 90/-, /3

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RUGBY.

FINAL TRIAL.

...ABLES V. POSSIBLES.

...as if very representative teams will ... Lansdowne road to-morrow for the ... match prior to the selection of the ... England at Twickenham on ...ary. So far only two changes have ...d—F. Jackson for T. J. Millin on ...bles' side and R. Flood for J. ...n Probables' team. Teams:—

PROBABLES.

...—W. E. Crawford (Lansdowne).

...rters—T. Hewitt (Queen's), J. B. ...orth), G. V. Stephenson (Queen's), ...henson (United Services). ...s—F. S. Hewitt (Instonians), M. ...blin University). ...—G. B. Beamish (Leicester and ... J. Bradley (Dolphin), D. ...ublin University), W. Collis ... R. Collopy (Bective Rangers), ...gham (North), R. D. Gray (Old ...d R. Flood (Dublin University).

POSSIBLES.

...—J. W. Stewart (Queen's). ...rters—D. J. Cussen (Dublin ... S. Hogan (University College), ...n (North), A. C. Douglas ... —E. Davy (University College), ... M. A. Rea (Queen's). ...—F. V. Beamish (London-Irish), ...e (United Services), C. J. Cagney ...h), W. P. Collopy (Bective ... Y. Crichton (Dublin University), ...n (Dolphin), T. E. McClelland ... another. ...r. R. de C. Wheeler.

...(3) V. GARRYOWEN (3).

...mmar School grounds, Galway, yes... were at home to Garryowen. The ...ather militated against a big ...t notwithstanding the rain, which ...fternoon and morning, there was a ... present. The ground was in a ...dition, and after ten minutes' play ...ssly muddy. Back play was, of ...dingly difficult, but an occasional ...ment was witnessed, and, having ... the circumstances, the handling was ...ay were considerably below full ... were further handicapped by the ... two of their forwards early in the ...vertheless the Galway forwards gave ...ay, getting the ball frequently in ...d more than holding their own in ... the first half, Garryowen, playing ... wind, had generally the better of ... before the game was fifteen minutes ...ere penalised, and Price kicked a ...res at midfield followed, before Gal...d to press, but neither side gained ... up to half time, when Garryowen ...s to nil. ...nd half Galway played a greatly ..., and opened with a determined ... and again a score looked certain ... relieved, and play moved back to ...plendid dribble by the Galway for... in McDonogh scoring. Engwall ... with the kick, the ball hitting the ...lway again attacked, and were ...he visitors' line when the full time ... Result:— ...en—1 penalty goal (3 points). ...1 try (3 points).

...PITALS' CUP TIE.

...3) v. CITY OF DUBLIN (0).

...rday at Donnybrook, Dental Hos... a try to nil. Teams ...oyce; J. Freeman, H. Whelan, W. ...ell; A. Atkins, E. N. Guise-Brown; ... McCloskey, L. Masterson, W. G. ...ry, T. Stafford, T. O'Connor, D. ... —A. Full; J. McGinn, J. O'Grady, ... Cussen; M. Boorreen, C. Mentjes; ...larke, R. Forsyth, R. Harte, J. ...en, P. Callaghan, C. Eccles. ... V. R. Patrick.

...V. TO PLAY SCOTLAND.

...V. to play Scotland at Swansea on ...ary 7th, was selected yesterday at ... Cardiff's R. A. Cornish (Cardiff), ...gen), Evan Williams (Aberavon), ...mes (Aberavon); W. J. Hopkins ... W. J. Delahay (Cardiff); C. Pugh ...orris (Cross Keys), Bryn Phillips ... Williams (Llanelly), W. Idris ... and Cambridge University), D. ...end), Idris Richards (Cardiff) and S. ... ...nge from the team which lost to ...kenham is S. Lawrence, who takes ... Gore, who has thrown in his lot ...rn Union League Club, Salford.

...GBY FOOTBALL.

...BLES v. POSSIBLES,

...ANUARY, AT 2.45 P.M., ...LANSDOWNE ROAD.

... 1/6 (including Tax). ...at Morrison's, 17 Westmoreland ...fton street; and Crotty, Grafton ... —(Advt.)

GOLF.

...DVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING.

...ORE AND HANDICAPPING ...HEMES ADOPTED.

...ting of the Joint Advisory Com... English Golf Union was held at ...day. ... business was the consideration of ...e and handicapping schemes, for ...her purposes, the Committee was ...ork Conference in February last ...ere unanimously adopted, and it ... they should be submitted to the ...nt Club Championship Committee ... After such approval the schemes ... through the National Union to ...niform adoption. ...was expressed at the response of ...al by the Union for subscriptions ...nses of the Walker Cup team in ...s stated that the Royal and ...d a substantial surplus on hand ... ...ed to the gathering that one of ...s proposed to confer honorary ...members of the Committee during ...ffice. Provost J. C. Rowland, of ...cted Chairman for 1925.

...OTICES AND REPORTS.

...—Officers and Committee for ... elected as follows:—President, Sir ...B.E.; Captain, Mr. T. W. Davies; ...enant-Colonel J. V. Laughton, ... Mr. J. Johnstone; Committee— ...rown, Walsh, Murphy, Fitzpatrick, ...e, Hughes. ...ies' Branch).—Postponed October ...: 9 holes; draws at 11.30 and ...Medal won by Miss L. Magwood; ...ified. ...To-morrow—Monthly medal.

...WN TENNIS.

...L.T. ASSOCIATION.

...neral meeting of the Irish Lawn ...n was held at the Astoria Tea ...n street, Dublin, last night, be...ndance. ...fficers were elected for the com... ... Glenavy. ... Mr. G. Byrne, Dr. A. P. Barry, ...aptain Corry, Senator Haughton, ...ke. ... Mr. H. R. Maunsell. ... Mr. W. St. G. Perrott. ...ood spoke on the question of giv...are of the big matches. In the ...he said, the people of the North ...ad no boundaries, and he pointed ... game would be benefited by hold... more important matches in the ... ...on of the meeting a vote of con...ed with Serjeant Hanna, K.C. ...reavement.

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Compensation Stock (92)	*91¼	Dublin Trams..(6⅜)	*6⅜
Consols ....(57⅞)	57⅞	Do. A Deb...(67¼)	68⅛
5% War Loan (101⅛)	101⅛ ⅛	Parent Pf..(14/9)	14/10½
Fund. Loan....(90⅛)	89⅞	Dunlops....(11/-)	11/3 /7½
Conver. Loan.(78⅛)	*78⅛	Bolands Ord..(46/-)	47/-
Guar. Land..(56⅞)	*56⅞	M'Birney ....(6/9)	6/6
India 3½% ....(67⅞)	68¼	Coats .....(65/3)	65/3 /6
Dublin Port....(55½)	56b	Cottons ....(66/3)	*66/1½ 6/- 5/9 *5/6
Bank of Ireland (287½)	287½c	Courtaulds.(70/3)	69/6 /9
Mun. & Lein.....(6⅛)	6⅛	Do. Pref....(19/9)	*19/6
National ....(20)	20	B.A.T.....(108/6)	108/1½
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Guinness....(50¼)	51⅞ ¼ ¼	Do. Pref......(18/-)	17/6
Power Pref.....(19/6)	19/6	Lever 7% ....(21/9)	21/9
Canal Ord.....(37/6)	40/-	Burke Deb..............(9)	9
Do. Pf.(70/-)	65/-b 70/-s	Thom Pref......(50/-)	47/6
G.N. Ord........(56)	*56	Chartered .....(22/-)	21/6
G.S. Ord.........(35)	34⅞	Art. Dwellings...(6¾)	6⅞
Do. Pref.......(47½)	47¼	*Irish Times* 5½% (68/-)	*68/-
Do. Guar.......(58)	58¼	Radio Com.....(13⅜)	13⅜
Do. Deb.......(67)	67⅜ ⅞	Do. Pref.......(10⅜)	10⅞
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LONDON STOCKS STEADY.

A steady tone characterised the London Stock markets yesterday, but business remained small, the approaching account acting as a restraint in some departments, the preliminary carry-over in Mining shares taking place yesterday. British Funds were extremely quiet, but previous prices were maintained. Indias hardened, the 3 p.c. at 58½, and he 3½ p.c. at 68½, both being ¼ higher. Banks were a firmer market, National Provincial (£4 paid) put on ⅛ to 11⅝, while Westminster, at 18¼, were also ⅛ better. A slightly better tendency was manifest in Telegraphs. Among Marconis, the Canada closed the turn higher at 4s. 7½d., while the Debs. held their improvement. Radio Corporation Pref. put on ⅛ to 10 7/16. Among Breweries, Guinness Ord., at 505, were 5 points to the good, while others were repeated. Textiles remained heavy, and final quotations were generally easier. Courtaulds were maintained at 3½. In the Miscellaneous section, Dunlops also hardened to 11s. 3d., or 3d. better. Imperial Tobacco closed 6d. higher at 90s. 3d.

FOREIGN BONDS DULL.

In Foreign Government stocks, French Loans eased in sympathy with the franc. The Fives finished ¼ lower at 21, but the Fours were without change at the finish. German Threes were held, but the Sevens closed fractionally lower at 98 7/16. Greek Sevens also slipped back, the final quotation being 93⅞, or ⅛ down. Argentine and Brazilians were steady and unaltered. Egyptian Unified firmed up to 79, or ¼ better.

RAILS FIRMER.

Home Rails were inclined to be dull, but, with the exception of Metropolitans, former prices were maintained. Metropolitans gave way rather heavily, despite the increased dividend; at the finish they showed a decrease of 1½ points to 79½. The possible extension of the electricians' strike to the railway was a factor.

Colonial and Foreign Rails were firmer in tone, but final quotations were not altered to any extent. Canadian Pacifics gained a point to 157, while Grand Trunks were all firm but unchanged. Cordoba Central First Pref. slipped back to 58, or a point lower, while the Second Pref. lost ½ to 34. Argentines were firm. Mexicans were repeated.

OIL SHARES DISAPPOINTING.

Oil shares proved a disappointing market yesterday; for, although following the sharp rally and display of strength overnight a good start was made by the leaders and most of the speculative favourites, some of which were bid for in the early hours at a further advance, business slackened later and prices became easier in consequence. The set-back in the recognised leaders was, no doubt, attributable to profit-taking on the part of professional operators. Shells went further ahead in the early hours, but failed to hold the improvement, some fairly heavy selling being encountered in the afternoon and a shrinkage being finally recorded. Royal Dutch moved in similar fashion, also showing a loss on balance. Absence of demand was responsible for the lower price ruling for Anglo-Persians, while Burmahs remained quietly steady. There was little interest in Mexican Eagles Ord. shares, but a quiet demand existed for the 7 p.c. 1st Prefs. Even in Venezuelan issues, which have figured so prominently in recent dealings, business was of a quieter character; but, while lower prices were quoted for British Controlled Common and Pref., V.O.C. Holdings, while not maintaining an initial advance, closed steady and unchanged. Lobitos, after having been bid for at a further advance, came on offer and suffered a sharp set-back. For some time past there has been talk of the possibility of an increase of capital by the Lobitos Oilfields and an issue of shares to existing holders on bonus terms. This has now materialised, it being announced that the capital is to be increased by 600,000 shares, bringing the authorised capital up to £1,000,000, and that it is proposed to make an early issue of 200,000 shares at such a reasonable premium as the directors believe will be acceptable to the shareholders. While the terms of issue are not stated, and will not be known at any rate until the meeting, which is to be held on February 10, it is anticipated that shareholders will be offered one new share for every two held at £4 per share, thus affording an appreciable bonus. Rumanians were quietly steady, but Trinidad and Miscellaneous issues had an irregular appearance.

RUBBER SHARES IRREGULAR.

An irregular tendency was again noticeable in the Rubber share market, while business was on the small side. Bah Lias firmed up to 37s., or 9d. better, while General Ceylon gained 1s. 6d. to 43s. 9d., Tandjong put on 1s. to 36s., while Vallambrosa, at 14s. 3d., showed a gain of 6d. on the day. Sapong, at 43s., and Rubber Trust, at 34s. 3d., were 6d. and 3d. higher respectively, while Malayalam and Merlimau both gained 1½d. to 40s. c.d., and 3s. 7½d. Eastern Trust closed 3d. better at 17s. 1½d. Malacca, on the other hand, were heavy, and at the finish they registered a decline of 2s. to 38s.; Highlands lost 1s., while Anglo-Dutch dropped 7½d. Ampat eased to 4s. 4½d., or 4½d. lower, while Kamuning, at 2s. 7½d., and Glenbervie, at 30s., were 3½d. and 3d. lower respectively. The price of rubber fell to 17¼d. per lb.

TEA SHARES DULL.

A heavy tone was again in evidence in the Tea Share market yesterday. The amount of business put through was on an extremely small scale, while prices showed a distinct tendency to dwindle. Price changes were not numerous, and with few exceptions final quotations were lower. Consolidated Tea and Lands continued to droop, and at the finish a further decline of ⅛ was recorded, the final level being only 7 1/16. Amalgamated Estates lost a similar fraction to 42. Borelli gave way and closed 4s. 4½d. below the overnight quotation at 99s. 4½d., while Bowlana shed 1s. 1½d. to 27s. 7½d. British Indian fell 2s. to 86s. 9d., while Ceylon Plantation at 5¼ and Darjeeling at 38s. 6d. were 1s. 3d. and 4½d. lower respectively. Dooars eased the turn to 86s. 4½d., while Eastern Produce dropped 10½d. to 82s. 7½d. Imperials finished slightly below Wednesday's figure, while Ceylon fell away sharply to 35s. 9¾d., or 1s. 2½d. down. Jokai lost 1s., while Jorehaut were 10½d. lower. Moabund slipped back to 76s. 6d., or 2s. below the previous closing figure. New Sylhet shed 1s. to 95s. Lungla at 43s. and Travancore at 105s. were 6d. and 7½d. lower respectively. The only improvements of any note marked on the day were those of 6d. in Lunuva to 45s. and of 4½d. in Assam Frontier to 7 11/16.

INDUSTRIALS UNCHANGED.

Conditions ruling in the Miscellaneous and Industrial markets yesterday showed little change from those in evidence on the preceding day. Business remained on a small scale, and a drooping tendency was again seen in several directions, notably Textiles. In the latter section Calico Printers, Bleachers and Fine Spinners were particularly flat. On optimistic reports concerning the progress of the company, further buying of Dunlops raised the price 4½d. to 11s. 4½d., which is the highest price since reconstruction, when the nominal value of the shares was reduced from £1 to 6s. 8d. A fairly large business was put through. Elsewhere in the Miscellaneous Trading section Brunner Monds came in for renewed support, and improved to 42s. 9d., though Borax Def. shed 3d. to 44s. Oil Cakes lost 6d. at 25s. 6d., and British Portland Cements 3d. at 27s. 3d. James Finlays eased to 73s. Swedish Match "B" were a better market at 10¼. Except for "Sunday Pictorials," which fell 1/16 to 4⅛, News shares kept steady at previous levels. Bank shares had a firm appearance; Insurance issues were quietly irregular. The Marconi group showed no quotable alterations, though Radio Corps. receded to 13⅜. On the more favourable showing by the report for the past year, R. E. Jones' Prefs. were wanted, and finished 1s. 6d. better on balance at 14s. 6d., while the Ord. were changing hands at round 3s. 3d. In Foodstuffs Bovril Def. continued in favour, and further improved to 54s., or 6d. better, but Liebigs relapsed to 16⅛. Apart from Watney Def., which lost 2½ at 212, Breweries were well maintained. Guinness finished 10 better at 510, and South Africans put on 1/16 to 2 1/16. Whiskey shares were off colour, Distillers being a flat market at 58s., or 2s. lower, while losses of 1s. occurred in Buchanan and J. Walker's at 70s. and 68s. 6d. respectively. Movements in Tobaccos were unimportant. Motor descriptions met with support, but Iron, Coal and Steels exhibited a sagging tendency.

PROVINCIAL EXCHANGES.

BIRMINGHAM.—Motor Shares heavy again. Rovers and Swifts flat. Singers, Standard, and Humbers dull. Dunlops active and strong on Davis fusion. Austins, 8/1½; Debentures, 85; Binemels, 36/-; S.T.D., 5/3; Enfields, 25/9; Humbers, 34/1½; Napiers, 25/6; Preference, 20/-; Rolls, 29/6; Rovers, 12/-; Singers, 37/9; Standards, 48/10½; Swifts, 8/6; Triumphs, 28/-; Vauxhalls, 6/4½; Dunlops, 11/7½; Parent Deferred, 42/1½.

MANCHESTER.—Textiles show steady pressure. Bleachers, 64/-65/-; Pref., 21/9-22/-; Calicos, 36/6-36/9; Pref., 18/-19/3; Dyers, 82/6-83/6; Pref., 20/-20/3; Cottons, 65/-66/-; Pref., 19/6-20/-; Spinners, 58/-58/6; Pref., 19/6-19/9; "Slubbers," 8/6-8/9; Coats, 65/-65/6; Ship Canal, 8⅛-8⅜; Pref., 8⅛-8⅜; Velvets, 30/9-31/-.

LATEST CLOSING AND STREET PRICES.

CONSOLS, ETC.

Consols.........	57⅞-58⅛	4½% Conv. Ln.	97-97½
War Ln. 3½%..	97-97½	5% Treas. Bds.	102⅞-103⅛
do. 4½%.....	97-97½	Irish Land 2¾%	56-60
do. 5%.......	101⅛-101⅜	India 3%	58-58¼ + ¼
do. 4% (Tax Free)	100⅜-101	do. 3½%	68-68¼ + ¼
Fund'g L'n ...	89⅞-90⅛	do. 5½%	101½-102½
Victory Bds ..	93-93½	do. 7%	106-108
3½% Conv. Ln.	78-78⅛	Local Lns.	66-66½
		Sudan 5½%	107-109

BANKS.

Anglo S. Amer	7½-7⅞ + 1/16	Lloyds........	63/0-64/0
Australasia	13¼-14⅛	Midland	9⅛-9⅜
Bank N.S.W. ...	40-41	Nat. Dis. B	8⅛-9⅛
Do. N. Z.	2⅞-3⅛	Nat Prov(£4)	11½-11¾ + ⅛
Barclays A	8⅞-9*	Royal of Can	47-50
Brit. Overseas	5-5½	Stand. S.A....	11¼-11¾
Can. of Com.	41-42	Un. Australia	14⅞-15⅛ + ⅛
Char. of India	21-21½ + ½	Westminster	18⅛-18⅜ + ⅛
Hong Kong...	142-144 +1		

COLONIAL GOVERNMENT STOCKS.

Aust. Com. 5½%	101-103	Nigeria 6%	113-115
do. 6%	106-108	Q'sland 1,1940-50	86-88
Brit. Col. 4½ 1941.	93-95	do. 6% 1930-40	103-105
Canada 4%	90-92	S. Africa 4% Cns	89-91
do. 4½ 1920-5 ...	99¼-100¼	do. 6%	104-106
Cape 3½ Cons.....	80-82	S.A'stri'n4,'40-60	85-87
Ceylon 6%	107-109	do. 6½%	105-107
N.S.W. 4½ '22-7	98-100	Victoria 4,'40-60	88-90
do. 5½ 1922-7...	100-102	do. 6½% 1923-5...	100-2
do. 6½% 1930-40	105-107	W.Aus 5%'35-45	100-102
N. Zeal'd 4,'29.	95-97	do. 6% 1930-40...	103-5

FOREIGN BONDS.

M.U. Jan. 20.				
100	Argentine, 1886	99	101*	
77	Do. 4 p.c. Rescessions	76	78	
80	Do. 5 p.c. 1909	92	94	
45	Brazil 4 p.c. 1889	44	46	
88½	Do. Funding, 1908	86	88	
74½	Do. 5 p.c., 1914	75	77	
94½	Chinese 5 p.c. 1896	94	96	
80	Do. 4½ p.c., 1898	80	82	
67½	Do. 5 p.c., 1912	68	70	
100½	Czecho-Slovakia Bonds..	100	102	
78½	Egyptian Unified	78¼*	79¼	+ ¼
21½	French Loan	20¾	21¼	− ¼
16½	Do. 4 p.c.	15½	16½	
1½	German 3 p.c.	1¼	1½	
98	German 7 p.c.	98⅛	98⅝	− ⅛
93¼	Greek Loan	93⅝	93⅞	− ⅛
17	Italian Rentes	16	18	
86½	Japan 4 p.c. 1905	85	88*	
90	Do. 6 p.c., 1924	89½	90¼	
40½	Mexican 5 p.c. '99	45	50	
45½	Do. 6 p.c. 10-Y. Treas.	45	55	
5½	Peruvian Corporation	5	5½	
39¼	Do. Pref.	39	40	
101	Do. Deb.	101	103	
27¾	Portuguese 3 p.c.	25	28	
—	Spanish 4 p.c.	62	66	
62¼	Uruguay 3½ p.c.	62	63	

BRITISH RAILS.

110	Great Western	110	111	
—	Do. Cons. Pref.	102	104	
101	Ldn. Mid. & Scot. Ord..	100½	101½	
—	Do. 4 p.c. Pref.	80	82	
—	Do. 4½ p.c. Red. Pref.	96	99*	
—	Do. 5 p.c. Red. Pref....	98	101	
—	Do. 4 p.c. Pref., 1923.	80	82	
82½	Ldn. North-East. 5 p.c. Pref. Ord.	82	83	
31	Do. Def. Ord.	30½	31	
—	Do. 4 p.c. 1st Pref. ..	80	82	
—	Do. 4 p.c. 2nd Pref....	79	81	
82	Metropolitan	79	80	−1½
—	Do. 5 p.c. Pref.	99	102	
—	Do. District	55	56	
85½	Southern Pref. Ord.	84½	85½	
44	Do. Def. Ord.	43½	44½	
41½	Do. "A"	41½	42½	
9¾	Do. "B"	9½	10½	
3¼	Underground Electric	3	3¼	
101	Do. Income Bonds	100	102	
105	Do. 6 p.c. Debs.	106	108	

COLONIAL AND FOREIGN RAILS.

87½	Antofagasta	86	88	
—	Argentine G.W. Ord. ...	79	81	
—	Bahia Blanca	82	84	
—	Brazil Railway Common.	½	¾	
89	Buenos Ayres Gt. S.	88½	90½	
81	Buenos Ayres and Pacific	81	83	
77	Buenos Ayres and W.	77	79	
155	Canadian Pacific	156	158	+1
75¾	Central Argentine	75	77	
73	Central Uruguay	73½	75½	
18	Cordoba Central	17	18	
58½	Do. 1st Pref.	57	59	−1
34½	Do. 2nd Pref.	33	35	− ½
—	Entre Rios	34½	36½	
—	Do. 6 p.c. Pref.	86½	88½	
—	Grand Trunk Pac. Deb..	54	57	
—	Grand Trunk 4 p.c. Guar.	80	82	
—	Do. 4 p.c. Perp. Deb..	81	83	
29¼	Leopoldina	29	31	
—	Mexican Rails	8	10	
—	Do. 8 p.c. Pref.	27	29	
15	Do. 6 p.c. Pref.	14	16	
170	San Paulo Ord.	167	171	
89½	United Havana	88½	90½	

AMERICAN RAILS.

—	Atchison	123	125	+1
—	Baltimore	81	83	+1
—	Chesapeake	101	103	+1
—	Chicago, Milwaukee	14	15	
33	Erie	32½	33½	+ ½
—	Do. 1st Pref.	45	47	+1
—	New York, Ontario	24	26*	
85	Southern Common	84	86	+1
—	Do. Pref.	88	90	
—	Southern Pacific	109	111	+1
156½	Union Pacific	155	157	

TELEGRAPHS.

24½	Anglo-American Def. ...	23¼	24¼*	
—	Marconi Wireless Ord....	1⅛	1⅜	
—	Do. Pref.	1⅝	1⅞*	
—	Do. Debs.	102	104	
1⅛	Do. Marine	1⅛	1⅜*	
4 6	Do. Canada	4 6	4 9	+ ¾
—	Oriental Telephone	1¾	2*	
14¼	Radio Corporation	13½	13¾	
10¼	Do. Pref. (850)	10½	10⅞	+ ⅛

BREWERIES AND DISTILLERIES.

15/6	Allsopp £1 Shares........	⅝	¾*	
88	Do. 5 p.c. Pref.	86	89*	
—	Bass, Ratcliff 5 p.c. Pref.	89	92*	
49 0	Do. Ord.	[illegible]	[illegible]	
56 6	Distillers Ord.	[illegible]	[illegible]	
494	Guinness	500	510	+5
—	Do. Pref.	115	120*	
19/6	Peter Walker Ord.	19/3	20/3*	
—	South African Breweries.	2¼	2⅞	
21/0	Walker (John) Pref.	21/3	22/3	
213	Watney Combe Def.	213	218	

FOODSTUFFS AND STORES.

27/6	Aerated Bread	1⅜	1½	
50/7½	Bovril Def.	2⅝	2⅞	+ ⅛
2/10½	Crosse and Blackwell....	2⅝	3⅛	
1¼	Lipton	1¼	1⅜	
4½	Lyons (J.)	4⅜	4⅝	
—	Mackintosh (J.) Pref. ..	28/7½	29/6	
5/10½	Maypole Def.	6 0	6/6	
—	Smithfield Arg. Meat	¼	⅜	
2⅛	Spratt's Patent	2	2¼	
—	Union Cold Storage Pref.	1⅛	1¼	
28/0	Van Den Berghs	1⅛	1⅜	
—	Do. Pref.	4⅝	5⅛	

IRON AND STEEL.

18/9	Armstrong (W. G.)	15 3	16 3
12 3	Cammell Laird	11 9	12 9
13 0	Dorman Long	12 6	13 6
18 0	John Brown	17/6	18/9
—	Do. (15/- paid)	11/3	12/6
21 0	Pease and Partners........	[illegible]	[illegible]
53 9	South Durham Steel	2⅝	2⅞
24 3	Siemens	1⅛	1¼
8 0	United Steel	7/0	8/0
11 3	Vickers Ord.	10 9	11 9
—	Weardale Iron C.P.O....	1⅛	1⅜*

LAND.

—	Aboukir Land	19/0	20/0	
10/6	Argentine Northern Land	7/16	9/16	
29 0	Do. Southern Land ...	1⅛	1⅜	
11 0	B.N.B. Land	13/16	15/16*	− 1/16
24/6	Forestal Land	1⅛	1⅜*	
5⅛	Hudson's Bay Ord.	5⅝	5⅞*	
16/3	Niger Pref.	[illegible]	[illegible]	
10 6	Pekin Syndicate	7/16	9/16	
28 0	Rio Negro Lands	1⅛	1⅜	
7¾	Sudan Plantations	7⅛	7⅜	

NEWSPAPERS.

6 1/16	Assd. Newspapers Def....	6¾	6⅞	
—	Daily Mail Deb.	107½	108½	
6¾	Daily Mirror Ord.	6⅝	6⅞	+ 1/16
4⅛	Sunday Pictorial Ord....	82/4½	83 4½	− 2/1½

NITRATES.

21	Alianza	20½	21½
8⅛	Lautaro Nitrate	8⅛	8⅝
1¾	Lagunas Nitrate	1⅝	1¾
3⅛	Liverpool Nitrate	70/0	72/6
69/0	London Nitrate	67 0	69/0
32/6	Rosario Nitrate	1⅛	1⅜
37/0	Santa Rita Nitrate	1⅛	1⅜
3	Santiago Nitrate	2¾	3
14/9	Tarapaca Nitrate	14 6	15/6

SHIPPING.

15/0	Cargo Fleet	11/16	¾
33/3	Court Line	33/6	34 0
20/0	Cunard Ord.	19/3	20/3
20/0	Elder Dempster 6 p.c. Pf.	19 0	20/0
36 0	Furness Withy	35/0	37/0
310	P. and O. Def.	295	305
97¾	Royal Mail Ord.	98	101

TEXTILES AND STORES.

10/10½	Amalgamated Cotton....	10/3	11/3	
67 0	Bleachers	3⅛	3⅜	− 1/16
83/3	Bradford Dyers	4⅛	4⅜	
9 0	British Celanese Ord......	8/11¼	9 2¼	−0/0¾
38/6	Calico Printers	1⅜	1⅝	− ⅛
65 3	Coats	3⅛	3⅜	− 1/16
70 0	Courtaulds	3⅜	3⅝	
65 6	English Sewing Cotton..	3⅛	3⅜	− 1/16
59 6	Fine Spinners	2⅞	2⅞	− 1/16
46 6	Harrods	2⅛	2⅜	
—	Linen Thread Ord.	2⅛	2⅜	
32 6	Lister Ord.	1⅝	1⅞	
—	Selfridge 6 p.c. Pref.	1⅛	1⅜	

MISCELLANEOUS INDUSTRIALS.

33/0	African and East. Trade.	34/3	35/9	
3⅛	Anglo-Arg. Tram 1st Pf.	3⅛	3⅜	
15/1½	Associated Cement	14/9	15/9	
16/0	Do. Pref.	15/3	16/3	
44/3	Borax Con. Def.	2⅛	2⅜	
58	Brazilian Traction	58	60	
27/9	British Portland Cement.	27/0	29/0	
—	British Glass	0/10½	1/1½	
14 0	B.S.A.	13/6	14/6	
26/3	British Oil and Cake	1¼	1⅜	− 1/16
88	Brit. Col. Electric Rail..	88	91	+1
—	Do 4½ p.c. Debs.	88	91	
111/6	Brit.-Amer. Tobacco	107/0	109 0*	
40/9	Brunner Mond	42/0	43 0	+0/3
54 6	Bryant and May	2⅝	2⅞	
—	De la Rue Deb.	30	70½	+ ½
10/9	Dunlop Rubber	10 9	11/9	+0/3
107	Do. Deb.	105	109	
—	Do. Amer. Tire Deb...	1/6	108	
—	English Electric	19 3	20 9	
—	Finlay (James)	3⅛	3⅜	
23 3	General Electric Ord....	22 0	23 6	−0/6
—	Do. Debs.	1/6	109	
—	Gramophone Ord.	1¼	1½	
89 6	Imperial Tobacco Ord....	89/6	91/0	+0/6
21/4½	Lever 7 p.c. Pref.	21 0	22/0	
—	Lever 7 p.c. Debs.	108	110	
—	Lever 8 p.c. Debs.	99	101	
22	Mexican Trams	18	21	
—	Do. Bonds	70	74	+1
—	Do. L. and P. Bonds.	65	69	
25/0	Nobel Ord.	25 6	26/6	
21/6	Do. Pref.	21 0	22/0	
—	Do. Def.	9 9	10/9	
40/0	Parent Trust Def.	2	2⅛	
20/0	Do. Ord.	1⅛	1⅜	
35 0	Platt Bros. Ord.	33/6	34/6	−0/3
—	Prov. Cine. 7½% Pf.-Ord.	14 3	15/3	+0/4½
1⅛	Rolls Royce	1⅜	1½	
—	Salt Union	[illegible]	[illegible]	
—	Sao Paulo Tram Deb.	94	96	
94½	Shawinigan Water Debs.	105	110	
10¾	Swedish Match "B"	10¼	10⅝	− ⅛
—	Tilling Ord.	2¼	2⅜	− ⅛
—	Do. 8½ p.c. Cum. Pref.	4⅛	4⅜	
—	United Alkali	2	2¼	
24/6	Wallpaper Def.	24/0	25/0	

OILS.

M.U. Jan. 20.				
3⅛	Agwi Petroleum	1/16	⅛	
3⅞	Anglo-American	4⅛	4	
2⅜	Anglo-Ecuadorian	2⅜	2½	
1⅛	Anglo-Egyptian "B" ...	1⅛	1⅜	− 1/16
24 6	Anglo-Persian £ p.c.	23/4½	23/10½	+0/1½
25/10½	Do. 6 p.c. 2nd Pref..	26/1½	26/7½	
3⅜	Do. Ord., issued 5½ p.c.	3⅛	3⅜	− 1/16
3⅛	Do. 8 p.c. Deb.	94½	96½	
2⅛	Apex Trinidad	2⅛	2⅜	
2⅜	Attock	2⅛	2⅜	
⅜	Brit. Borneo Pet. (10/-)..	⅜	⅝	
7/8	British Burmah (8/-)	7/6	8/0	
19/3	British Controlled	18/7½	18/10½	−0/4½
19/1½	Do. Pref.	18/6	19/0	−0/4½
5⅜	Burmah	5⅛	5⅜	
27/0	Do. 8 p.c. Pref.	27/0	27/6	
2/9	Caltex	2/6	2/9	
8/6	Dacia Romano	8/6	9/6	
5	Eagle Transport	4⅞	5⅛	
100¾	Do. 7 p.c. Notes	101	103	
101½	Do. Bearer	102	104	
0/6	General Pet. Trinidad A.	0/3	0/9	
15/0	Kern River (10/-)	15/4½	15/10½	−0/3
9⅛	Lobitos	9⅛	9⅜*	− ⅜
16/3	Mexican Eagle	16/3	16/9	− /01½
14/7½	Do. Pref.	14/3	15/3	
12/4½	Do. 7 p.c. Pref........	13/0	13/6	+ 0/3
6/6	North Caucasian (10/-)..	⅛	⅜	
—	Peru Syndicate	0/6	1/6	
21/0	Phœnix	20/6	21/0	
—	Rumanian Consolidated..	11/9	12/3	
32¾	Royal Dutch	33½	33⅞	− ¼
4⅞	Shell Transport	4⅞	4⅝	− 1/16
9¼	Do. 5 p.c. Pref. (£10).	9⅝	10⅛	
25 0	Do. 7 p.c. Pref.	25 1½	25 7½	
2 6	Spies (10/-)	2/4½	2/10½	+0/1½
10 3	Steaua Romana	10/0½	10/7½	
6/9	Tankers Pref.	6/3	6/9	
⅜	Trinidad Central	5/16	⅜	− 1/16
1⅜	Trinidad Lease	2 1/16	2 3/16	+ 1/16
7/9	United Brit. Trinidad ...	7/6	8/0	− 0/3
7/6	Ural Caspian	1/32	3/32	
1 0	Uroz Oil	0/9	1/3	
2⅞	V.O.C. Holdings	3 1/16	3 3/16	
2⅞	Do 7 p.c. Pref.	3	3⅛	

RUBBERS.

47/3	Anglo-Dutch	47/9	−7½
3/0	Anglo-Java................................	3 1½	+0/1½
1⅛	Anglo-Malay	26 7½	
4/9	Bertam Cons................................	4 7½	
3 0	Bukit Mertajam..........................	2 11½	−0 1½
2 0	Bukit Sembawang	2 1½	
16/9	Damansara	16 0	
21/10½	Grand Central	22 3	
2⅛	Highlands	40 0	−1/0
2 10½	Kamuning	2 7½	−0 3½
4/6	Kepong	4 0½	
1⅞	Kuala Lumpur	38/0	
1⅜	Labu..	29 4½	
2	Linggi	39/6	−0/6
3/10½	London Asiatic	3 11	
1⅞	Malacca	38 0	−2/0
39/6	Malayalam	40 0	+0 1½
3 7½	Merlimau..................................	3 7½	+0/1½
1⅜	Mooply Valley	26 0	
2 7½	Port Dickson	2 7½	
33 9	Rubber Trust	34/3	+0 3
14 0	Scottish	13/3	
1⅛	Senalyan	34 9½	
1⅝	Sialang	36 0	
1⅜	Straits Rubber	21 9	
21/6	Tall Ayer..................................	20/7½	
1⅝	Tandjong	36/0	+1 0
4 0	Un. Serdang	4 11	
3⅝	United Sua Betong	73 9	
14 3	Vallambrosa	14/3	+0/6

Ampat	4/4½	−0/4½	N. Hummock.	20/0	
Anglo-Sum ...	60 0		F.P.K.(Cy'n)	19 6	
Bah Lias	37/0	+0/9	Pataling	20/7½	+0 1½
Batu Tiga	36/6		Pegoh	40 0	−1 3
B N.B.R. Trs'	12 6		Pilmoor	17/6	−0/6
Brish	2 0		Rim Malacca	3/9	
Bukit Cloh ...	4 0		Rub. E.Johore	22 6	
Bukit Raja...	22/3		Sapong	43 0	+0/6
Castlefield	5 0		Sapumalk'de.	23/1½	
Cheviot	3 0		Sepang Sel.....	18/3	
Cicely	4/6		Selangor	5 1½	
Eastern Trust	17 1½	+0/3	Serdang C'nt'l	27/6	−2/6
Gen. Ceylon...	43 9	+1 6	Soember Aloe.	2 4	−0.0½
Glenbervie	30/0	−0/3	Sumatra Con..	30 7½	
Glenshiel	16 6		Sungei Buaya.	32 3	−0/6
Golden Hope	24 6		Sungei Choh...	19 4½	
Java Amal.....	32/6		Sungei Kapar.	4/0	
Kapar Para...	40/0		Sungei Kr. Pf.	33/1½	
Kasintoe	21/0		Taiping.........	1/9	−0 1
Kepitigalla ...	1/5½		Tamiang	31/3	
Kombok	3/0	+0 1½	Tebrau	38 9	
Langkat Sum	28/6		Telogoredjo ...	48/0	
Ledbury	34 0		Tempeh	1/10½	
Manch'ter N.B.	25 0		Un. Temiang.	2/11	
Membakut	18 0		Yam Seng.....	2 4	−0/5
Mendaris	14/0	−0/4½			

* Ex div. † Ex rights. ‡ Cum div. ‖ bonus.

TEAS.

Amal. Estates	42	− ⅜	Doom Dooma...	8⅝	
Anglo-Ceylon..	50/7½		E.I. & Ceylon...	64/3	
Assam Co.	44/9	−0/3	E. Assam	75/0	
Assam Cons....	18/10½		East Produce...	82/7½	−0/10½
Assam Front'r.	7 11/16	−0/4½	Empire	86/6	
Assam Dooars	51⅛		Galaha Ceylon	42/6	
Aso.T.E.Cy'in.	42/6		Halem	71/6	
Attaree Khat...	48/9		Imperial	53/6	−0/1½
Balijan	55/0		Imperial Ceylon	35/9¾	−1/2½
Bargang.........	63/1½		Jetinga Valley.	58/9*	
Borelli	99/4½	−4/4½	Jhanzie	87/6	
Borhella	29⅛		Jokai	90/0	−1/0
Bowlana	27/7½	−1/1½	Jorehaut........	91/4½*	−/10½
Brahmapootra.	31		Longai Valley	44/3	
British Assam.	5 1/16		Lungla	43 0	−0/6
Brit. Indian	86/9	−2/0	Lunuva	45/0	+0/6
Budla Beta......	6⅛		Majuli............	85/7½	
Cachar & Do'ars	5⅛		Moabund	76/0	−2/0
Ceylon Plant...	5¼	− 1/16	Nedeem	75/7½	
Ceylon Prop....	53/10½		New Sylhet.....	95/0	−1/0
Chargola.........	34/4½		Pandan	20/0½	
Chubwa	5⅛		Peacock & Nil.	4/3½	+0/1½
Chulsa	60/3½		Poonmudi	3/10½	−0/4
Con. Tea & L...	7 1/16	− ⅛	Rosehaugh Cey	32/10½	
Darjeeling	38/6	−0/4½	Seph'juri Bheel	13/3½	
Ditto Cons	68/1½		Singlo	83/9	
Dejoo	47/7½		Tea Corpn........	27/0	
Deundi	27/3		Tea Share Trus	53/0	
Dimbula Valley	57/10½	−0/1½	Travancore	105/0	−0/7½
Dooars...........	86/4½	+0/3	U. Planters, C.	72/3	
Doolooogram	61/3		U. Assam	66 6	

INSURANCE SHARES.

BUSINESS DONE IN LONDON:—Blackburn Philanthropic Assurance, 5/9; Caledonian Assurance, 16, 1/16; Pearl Assurance, 62½; Union Insurance Society of Canton, 31⅜; Alliance Assurance, 15⅜; do. New, 16 £15 19/-; Atlas, 54/3, 9d.; Commercial Union, 24⅛, ⅛, 1/16; do. Palatine Deb., 92½; Eagle Star, 8⅛; Employers' Liability, 89/6, 3d., 9/-; General Accident, 9 1/16; General Reinsurance, 4/9; Guardian Assurance, 8 1/16, ⅛, ¼; do. Pref., 76/6; Guardian Eastern, 8/-, 1½d.; London and Lancashire, 21⅛, 1/16, ⅛, ¼; London Associated Reinsurance, 8/-; London Assurance, 12 1/16, ¼, 1/16; North British, 32; do. Pref., 81½; Northern, 17⅞; Phœnix Assurance, 13⅛; do. Pelican, 13; Prudential "A," 22⅛; do. "B," 39/6, 9d., 3d., 40/-; Royal Exchange, 678, 7⅛, 80; Royal Insurance, 233 10/9, 33⅛; Scottish Union, 11 1/16, ¼, 1/16, £11 4/3, £11 5/9; Sun Insurance, 25 1/16, ¼; Victory Insurance, 3/9, 9d., 6d.; Western Alliance Assurance, 12/9, 13/1½; World Auxiliary, 23/6; Yorkshire Insurance, 11⅛.

BUSINESS DONE IN LIVERPOOL.—Alliance Assurance, 15⅜; Atlas Assurance, 13 1/16; Caledonian Assurance, 16 1/16, ⅛; Commercial Union, 24⅛, 1/16, ¼; Commercial Union 4 p.c. Union Deb. Stock, 86; Employers' Liability, 89/6, 9d.; Guardian Assurance, 8 1/16; London and Lancashire Insurance, 21 1/16, ⅛; London Assurance, 12⅛; North British and Mercantile, 32 1/16; Northern Assurance, 17⅞; Phœnix Norwich Union, 263/-; Royal Insurance, 33⅛, 1/16; ditto 4 p.c. Deb. Stock, 90; Yorkshire Insurance, 11⅛.

DUBLIN SHIPPING REPORT.

Wind and Weather—Strong W. to W.S.W. wind; overcast, with passing showers.

Foreign Arrival—S.s. Emden, of Hamburg (394 tons register), Captain Burmeister, from Hamburg via Cork, with a general cargo, discharged at Transit Shed, Custom House quay, and proceeded to Belfast with part cargo.

Coastwise Arrivals—S.s. Slieve Bawn, s.s. Slieve Donard, from Holyhead, with goods; s.s. Yarrow, from Silloth, with goods; s.s. Lady Cloe, from London, with goods; s.s. Cato, from Bristol, with goods; s.s Tiger, from Glasgow, with goods; s.s Olive, from Heysham, with goods; s.s. Lady Longford, from Liverpool, with goods; s.s. Oneida, from Barrow, with motor spirit; m/s. J. T. and S., from Wexford, with malt; s.s. Ophir, s.s. Amy Summerfield, s.s. Thelma, s.s. Moss Rose, from Garston, with coals; s.s. Endcliffe, from Preston, with coals; s.s. Cornelian, from Ayr, with coals; s.s. Glencullen, from Partington, with coals; s.s. Tynan, from Ardrossan, with coals; s.s. Rosstrevor, from Holyhead, light.

Coastwise Departures—S.s. Slieve Bawn, s.s. Slievemore, for Holyhead, with goods; s.s. Tiger, for Glasgow, with goods; s.s. Olive, for Heysham, with goods; s.s. Yarrow, for Silloth, with goods; s.s. Lady Longford, s.s. Lady Kildare, for Liverpool and Birkenhead, with live stock and goods; s.s. Lady Wicklow, for Manchester, with live stock and goods; s.s. Lady Brussels, for Preston, with live stock; goods; s.s. Rosstrevor, for Holyhead, with live stock; m/v. Hera, for Avonmouth, with empty barrels; s.s. St. Fintan, for Manchester, with empty barrels; s.s. Olivine, s.s. Girasol, for Newport, light; s.s. Cairngorm, for Ayr, light.

LLOYD'S MAIL NEWS.

ARAWA, for Port Chalmers, left Gravesend 29.
ASUKA MARU, from the Clyde, arr. Shimonoseki 27.
ASTRONOMER, for London, left Port Said 28.
BATA, for Liverpool, left Accra 27.
BENEFACTOR, Calcutta for London, arr. P. Sudan 29.
BALRONALD, for Sydney, left Gravesend 29.
REMUERA, for Wellington, left Southampton 29.
CANDIDATE, from Liverpool, arrived Barbados 28.
CITY OF KARACHI, Kobe for London, called Hong Kong 29.
CITY OF SPARTA, Calcutta for London, arrived Colombo 29.
COLONVN, from Liverpool, arrived Portland, Maine, 28.
CITY OF NAPLES, for England, left Rangoon 29.
DEMOSTHENES, for Brisbane, left Gravesend 29.
DURHAM CASTLE, for London, left Beira 28.
ESSEX, from Swansea, arrived Table Bay 28.
ESSEX, for Adelaide, left Table Bay 29.
GRANTULLY CASTLE, for Beira, left Gravesend 29.
HENZADA, from Rangoon, arr. the Mersey 28.
HIGHLAND GLEN, for B. Ayres, left Gravesend 28.
HIGHLAND LAIRD, from L'pool, arr. Monte Video 28.
KITANO MARU, Yokohama for London, called Hong Kong 29.
KARIMOEN, for Port Said, left Cardiff 28.
KIOTO, for Manchester, left New York 28.
KALYAN, Yokohama for London, arrived Singapore 28.
KASHMIR, London for Japan, arrived Shanghai 28.
KASHGAR, London for Japan, left Suez 28.
LAGUNA, for Liverpool, left Cristobal 27.
LOSADA, from the Clyde, arrived Valparaiso 28.
MAHANA, for London, left Teneriffe 27.
MATIRA, from Teneriffe, arrived the Mersey 28.
MALOJA, London for Sydney, left Port Said 28.
NELLORE, Calcutta for Dundee, left Malta 28.
NESSIAN, New York for Manchester, arr. Mersey 29.
ORAMA, for London, left Colombo 29.
ORANIAN, from New Orleans, arrived the Mersey 28.
OTIRA, from London, arr. Melbourne 28.
OXFORDSHIRE, London for Rangoon, arrived Port Said 29.
PORT BOWEN, for Melbourne, left the Mersey 29.
PAPANUI, Port Pirie for Liverpool, arr. Suez 29.
PORT AUGUSTA, from the Wear, arrived Philadelphia 28.
STUTTGART, New York for Bremerhaven, called Plymouth 29.
SCYTHIA, on world cruise, left New York 29.
TSUSHIMA MARU, London for Yokohama arrived Port Said 29.
TRAFFORD, Hull for Dairen, left Southampton 29.
ZARIA, from West Africa, arrived the Mersey 28.
ZEALANDIC, for United Kingdom, left Auckland 28.

Cunard Line Movements.

BRESCIA, left Liverpool yesterday.
CYPRIA, left Salonica last Wednesday for Smyrna.
PHRYGIA, arrived Liverpool last Wednesday from Manchester.
LYCIA, arrived Venice last Wednesday.
SEA VICTORY, left Liverpool last Wednesday.
SEA SERPENT, left Palermo last Tuesday.
SCYTHIA, arrived Liverpool last Wednesday from Havre.
SCYTHIA, on around-the-world cruise, left New York yesterday for Madeira.

LONDON MINING MARKET DULL.

PLATINUM CONCERNS IN DEMAND.

Dulness again ruled in most departments of the House yesterday, and various stories were in circulation to account for the fact, the only generally accepted being the approach of the settlement, preliminary arrangements for which will be made to-day so far as Mines are concerned. Business in the Kaffir section was on a limited scale, except in a few specialities, the shares in favour being once more the Land shares, or, as they are now familiarly termed, the "Platinum concerns"—*i.e.*, T.C.L. and Transvaal "Devels." These were in demand on both Cape and home account on rumours that private advices from the other side are of a very favourable character, and both registered sharp advances. The Modderfonteins were strong, and Robinson Deep "B" further appreciated on the appearance of the December quarterly report, which shows a rise in the profits of £6,800 to £142,808 as compared with the previous quarter. Springs Mines were wanted and moved up, and Mozambiques were a good market, but Central West lacked support and relapsed. In the Rhodesian department Chartered continued to change hands freely, but sellers predominated, and the price was finally easier. The dividend for the year to September 30 last was 1s. 3d. per share, but the announcement came too late to affect the market. Tanks kept steady, but Zambesia Exploring fell back. Among Diamonds De Beers were easier, but Jagersfontein went ahead and Angola moved up. Consolidated Diamonds were something of a feature, good buying being in progress. A further rise of £1 13s. 9d. to £265 7s. 6d. per ton in the price of the metal failed to infuse much life into the Tin share market. Apart from South American Copper, Copper shares were easier, Rio Tinto losing 2s. 6d. Canadians presented a rather dreary appearance, prices being marked down, despite the declaration of the usual 8 p.c. dividend and 4 p.c. bonus by the Keeley and the expectation of an early declaration by Vipond. Moreover, the development news from the Mining Corporation and the Trout Lake continues satisfactory. Burmas were a strong spot, but the other changes were against holders. Closing prices:—

SOUTH AFRICAN.

M.U. Jan. 19.			
1⅛	Anglo-Amer. Corp.	1½-1⅝	
15/9	Anglo-French......	16/3-16/9	
3⅞	Brakpan	3⅞-3⅜	
13	Cent. Min'g (£8)...	13⅛ 13⅜	
14/0	Central W'st (5/)...	13 3 13 9	−0/6
3⅜	City Deep	3⅜-3⅝	− 1/16
1⅛	Con. Goldfields......	1⅛-1⅜	
15 6	Cons. Main Reef...	15/9-16 3	
16 0	Cons. Selec. 10/ ...	15/9-16 3	
3	Crown Mines (10/)	3 3⅛	
23 9	Durban Deep......	23/3-23 9	
12/3	E. Rand Prop.....	12/6-12/9	+/1½
3⅛	Geduld	3⅛-3⅜	
14 6	Gen. Mining	14/3-14 9	−0/3
12 0	G. M. Investment	12 3-12 9	
7⅛	Government Mines	7⅛ 7⅜	− 1/16
12/10	H. E. Prop	12/9-13 3	
40/6	Johan'burg I'vst.	41/3-41 9	
5/0	Kleinfontein	5/6 6/0	
16/6	Knight's	16 0 16/6	
22 0	Langlaagte Estate	21 9-22/3	
4	Meyer & Charlton	4 4½	
4⅛	M'derfontein (10/)	4⅛-4⅜	+ 1/16
28/1½	Modder B (5/)	1⅜-1⅝	+ 1/16
2⅜	Modder Deep (5/).	2⅜-2⅝	
⅜	Modder East	⅜-⅝	
1⅜	New State Areas..	1⅜ 1⅝	
6/0	Nigel	⅜-⅝	
9/0	Nourse Mines	8 9-9 3	
3	Rand Mines (5/)....	3⅛-3⅜	
20/6	Randfontein	20/3-20 9	
1⅛	Rob'son D A (1/) .	1⅛-1⅜	
2⅛	Robinson Dp. B....	41/9-42/3	+0/3
14 0	Rose Deep..........	13/9 14/3	+0/3
10 6	Sabie (5/-).............	10/1½-4½	
⅜	S.A. Gold Trust..	⅞-1	
2⅛	Springs Mines......	2⅛-2⅜	+ 1/16
12 3	Sub Nigel..........	11/9-12/3	
3⅛	Trans. and Del. B.	3-3⅛	
32/0	Trans-Con.L(10)	35/0-36 0	+1 0
47/3	Union Corp(12/6)	48/0-48 6	−0/3
26/9	Van Ryn	24/9-25/3	
4⅛	Van Ryn Deep ...	4⅛-4⅜	
24/3	Vereeniging	24 3-24/9	−0/3
11/6	Village Deep	10/9 11/3	
25/3	West Springs	25 0-25/6	
3/9	Do. Options........	4/6-5/0	
⅜	Wit'ersrand Deep	16/3-17/3	+0.3

RUSSIAN.

6/0	Lena Gold............	6/6-7/6
7/1½	RussoAsiat.Cns....	6/6 6/9
3/6	Russian Mining ...	3/6 4/6
⅜	Siberian Props......	5/0-6/0
⅜	Spassky..............	⅜-⅝

RHODESIAN.

M.U. Jan. 19.			
9/1½	Bechuanaland Ex.	8/3-8/9	
6 1½	Bwana M'Kubwa.	5/10-6/1½	
2⅛	Cam and Motor....	2⅛-2⅜	
22/0	Chart'd B.S.A....	21/3-21 6	+ 4½
3/0	Falcon	2/9-3 3	
24/6	Gaika Gold.........	21/9-24/3	−0/3
13/3	Globe & Phœnix(5/)	13/3-13/9	
7/6	Gold F. Rho. (10/)	7/10½-8/1½	
1⅛	Lonely Reef	1⅛-1⅜	
1⅛	Rezende	1⅛-1⅜	− 1/16
4/9	R. Broken Hill (5/)	4 7½-/10½	
15/7½	Selukwe (2/6)......	15/1½-15/4½	
1⅛	Shamva Mines.....	1⅛-1⅜	
⅜	Sherwood Starr(5/)	⅜-⅝	
1⅜	Tanganyika	1⅜-1⅝	
42/6	Vic. Falls Ord	2⅛-2⅜	
31/3	do. Pref..............	31/0-32/0	
1⅛	Wankie Col. 10/ .	20 0-21 0	+0 6
5/1½	Willoughby.........	4 9-5 3	
27/0	Zambesia Expl..	25/9-26/3	−0/3

DIAMOND.

1⅜	Angola Diamond...	⅜-⅝	+ 1/16
17/0	Con. D. S. W. A.	17/6-18/0	+0/9
11⅛	De Beers Def.......	12⅛-12⅜	− 1/16
11⅛	do. Pref.	11⅛-11⅜	− 1/16
3⅛	Jagersfontein......	3⅛-3⅜	+ 1/16
7/6	N. Val. River	⅛-⅜	
6⅜	Premier Pf. 5/- ...	6⅜-6⅝	
13/9	West African	13 6-14 0	

AUSTRALIAN.

1⅛	Amal. Zinc.	1⅛-1⅜	
12/0	Associated	11/9-12/3	
27/9	Broken Hill Prop	26/6-27/6	
2⅛	B. Hill Sth. New	2⅛-3	
1⅛	Electro Zinc Pref	1⅛-1⅜	
20 3	Lake View 10/-)	20.0-21.0*	
5⅜	North Broken Hill	5⅛-5⅜	
13 1½	Sulphide Ord......	12/6-13/6	
13 6	South Kalgurli ...	13 0-14/0	
32 0	Zinc Ord. (10/-) ...	31/9-32 9	
3⅛	do. Pref.	3-3⅛	

WEST AFRICAN.

12/3	Ashanti Gold 4/	11/9-12/3	
10/9	Fanti Cons. 8/).	10/3-10/9	−0 3
17/6	Gold Coast Amal.	17/6-18 0	
4/0	Taquah & Abosso.	3/9-4/3	

TIN.

M.U. Jan. 19.			
16/9	Anglo-Con. (10/-)	16/6-17/0	−0/3
3⅛	Aramayo Mines....	3⅛-3⅜	− ⅛
6/6	Bauchi Ord.(10/)...	5/9-6/3	
11/0	do. Pref(10/)...	11/0-11/6	
11 6	Bisichi	11/3-11 9	
2⅛	Gopeng...............	2⅛-2⅜	
35/0	Ipoh	34/6-35/6	
19 0	Kaduna Synd (5/).	19/0-20/0	+0/6
2⅛	Kamunting..........	2⅛-3	
2⅛	Kramat Pulai	2⅛-2⅜	
3⅛	Malayan T.D......	3⅛-3⅜	
16/6	Mongu	16/0-16/6	
25/9	Naraguta	25/6-26/6	+0/3
10/9	Pahang (5/-)........	10/9-11/3	
1⅛	Rambutan	1⅛-1⅜	
1⅛	Renong	1⅛-1⅜	
14/6	Ropp (4/ Sha)	14/0-14/6	
4⅛	Siamese	4⅛-4⅜	+ 1/16
12/0	South Bukeru	11/9-12/9	
33 3	Tavoy	31 6-32 6	
3⅛	Tronoh	3⅛-3⅜	

COPPER.

19 0	Arizona (5/-).......	⅜-⅝	
⅛	Mount Elliott(£5)	⅛-⅜	
10/6	Mount Morgan	9/6-10/6	
24/3	Mount Lyell......	21/9-22/9	−0/3
2	Namaqua	1⅞-2	
42⅛	Rio Tinto (£5) ...	42⅛-42⅜	− ⅛
11/3	S. American (2/).	11/3-11/9	+0/6

MISCELLANEOUS.

⅛	Bingo Pref.........	⅛-⅜	+ 1/16
12/3	Brit. Platinum.....	12/6-13/0	
17/0	Burma Corp.......	17/6-18.0	+0/6
7/0	Champion Reef....	6 9-7 3	
1⅛	Chosen Synd "A"	1⅛-1⅜	
—	Colombian Props	19/6-20/6	
3/7½	Corderoy Synd....	3 7½-/10½	
2⅛	Huronian Belt.....	2⅛-2⅜	− 1/16
9/0	Keeley Silver......	9/0-9/6	
6/0	Kirkland Lake.....	5/6-6/0	−0/3
4⅛	Mexico Mines	3⅞-4	
4⅛	Minerals Separ't'n	4⅛ 4⅜	− ⅛
12/0	Min. Crp. of Can.	11/0 11/6	−0/6
12/6	Mysore 10/-	12 0-13/0	
7 10½	Nat. Min. (f.p.)	7/6 7/9	−/1½
8/0	Nundydroog	7/3-8 3	
14 9	Ooregum	14/6 15/6	
⅜	Oroville	6/6 7 6	
8 9	Porcupine Gold....	⅜-⅝	
18/0	St. John Del Rey.	17/6-18/6	
26 0	San Francisco 10.	25/6-26 0	+0/6
9/10½	Santa Gertrudis...	9/3-10/0	
—	S. Amer. G. Areas	⅛-⅜	
5/9	Vipond	5/6-5 9	−/1½
1⅛	Waihi Gold.........	1⅛-1⅜	

* Ex. Dividend. † Ex. Rights.

DEALINGS IN LONDON MARKET.

The following dealings among active stocks and shares were "marked" in London yesterday:—

Consols—57⅞, 8, 8, 7 15/16, ⅞, 15/16, 15/16, 15/16. **3½ p.c. War Loan**—95 1/16, 1/16, ⅛. **4½ p.c. War Loan**—97⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 1/16, 1/16, ⅛. **5 p.c. War Loan**—101 1/16, ⅛, 1/16, ⅛, 1/16, 1/16, 1/16. **4 p.c. War Loan**—101 1/16, 1/16, 1, 100⅞, 1, 1/16, ⅛, 100⅞. **Funding Loan**—89 15/16, 90⅛, 1/16, 90, 89⅞, 15/16. **Victory Bonds**—93 7/16, ⅜, ⅜, 7/16, ⅛, 7/16. **Conversion Loan 3½ p.c.**—78⅛, 1/16, ⅛, 1/16, 1/16, 1/16; **do. 4½ p.c.**—97⅛, ⅛,* 1/16, 1/16, 1/16, 1/16, 1/16. **India 4½ p.c.**—89⅛, 1/16, 9, 1/16, ⅛, ⅛, 8⅞, 9, 8⅞. **Australia 6 p.c. Stock**—106⅛, ⅛. **Australia 5 p.c. Stock**—101, 100⅞, ⅞. **South Africa 6 p.c.**—105⅛, ⅛, ⅛. **Japan 6 p.c. Sterling**—90, ⅛, ⅛, 90, 90 1/16, 89⅞, *91, 90⅞. **Aerated Bread**—28/-, 6d., 4½d., 1½d., 3d., 4½d. **African and Eastern**—35/-, 3d., 4/10½, 9½d. **Allied Newspapers Pref.**—20/6, 4½d., 3d., 5¼d. **Amalgamated Cotton**—10/6, 9d., *6d., 7½d., 9½d., 9d., 8½d., 10½d., 10d. **Amalgamated Press**—43/10½, 4/1½, 3d. **Anglo-Dutch Rubber**—47/7½, 8/3, 3/-, 7/7½. **Armstrong**—15/3, 6d., 3d. **Assoc. Cement**—15/3, 1½d. **Associated Newspapers Def.**—6 5/16, ⅜, 1/16, ⅜, ⅜. **Baldwins Ord.**—13/10½, 14/-. **Barclays Bank "A"** (x.d.)—8 15/16, ⅞, 15/16, ⅞, 15/16, ⅞; **do. "B"** (x.d.)—58/-, 7/9, 10½d., 7½d., 6d., 8/-. **Beecham Estates Pref.**—21/-, 6d. **Bovril Def.**—54/6, 3d., 9d., 3/9, 4½d., 4/-, 3/7½, 4½d. **Brazilian Traction**—59, 8⅞, 9. **Brit. Amer. Tobacco** (x.d.)—108/3, 8/7½, 7/9, 7½d., 10½d., 7½d. **British Oil and Cake**—25/10½, 6/3, 5/9, 10½d., 7½d. **British Overseas Bank**—5 1/16, ⅛. **Brunner Mond**—42/7½, 4½d., *2/-, 6d., 3d., 5½d., *1½d. **Bryant and May**—53/-. **Buenos Ayres Great Southern**—89⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ½, ¾. **Buenos Ayres Western Ord.**—78, 7⅞, ⅞, ⅞, ½. **Buenos Ayres Pacific**—81⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 1, ⅛. **Calico Printers**—*35/6, 6/6, 7/-, 6/1½. **Canadian Pacific**—156⅛, 7, 6⅞, 7⅛, 6⅞, 7⅛, 6⅞, ⅛, 7, ⅛. **Central Argentine Cons.**—76⅛, 6, 5⅞, 6, 6⅛. **Coats**—65/-, 3d., 9d., 4/8⅞, *5/-, 4/9, *5/3, 4/9. **Cock (St. Paul's) Ord.**—23/3. **Cory (Wm.)**—43/9. **Courtaulds**—69/7½, 10½d., 70/-, 1½d., 69/9, 10½d., 7½d., 6d. **Courtaulds Pref.**—19/7½, 6d., 4½d., 1½d., 3d. **Crosse and Blackwell**—3/-, 2/9¾, 10½d. **Crosses and Winkworth Pref.**—11/4½, 3d., 9d., 4½d. **Cunard Ord.**—20/-, 19/10½, 6d., 9d., 6d. **Cunard Debs.** (x.d.)—102⅛, 3, 2. **Daily Mail Trust Debs.**—108, 7⅛. **Daily Mirror Ord.**—6⅝, 11/16, ⅝. **Dorman Long**—12/9. **Dunlop Ord.**—11/6, 2½d., *3d., 4½d., *1½d., 5¼d., 3¾d., 6¾d., 7½d., 6½d. **Dunlop "C" Pref.**—20/9, 10½d., 7½d., 1/-. **Dunlop Debentures**—107⅛, 8, 7⅛. **Elder-Dempster 6 p.c. Pref.**—19/9, 6d., 8¼d. **English Sewing Cotton**—65/6, 9d. **Fine Cotton Spinners**—59/6, 9d., 7/6, 8/6. **Finlay (James)**—73/6, 5¼d., 2/6, 7½d., 3/6, 2/6. **Forestal Land**—24/7½, 5/-, 4/4½, 5/1½, 4/7½, 10½d., *6d., 9d., 10½d. **General Electric Ord.**—22/10½. **General Electric Debs.**—107⅞. **German 3 p.c.**—27/-, 8/6, 7/3. **German 3½ p.c.**—19/-. **German 4 p.c.**—19/-, 9d. **German 7 p.c. External Loan**—98 7/16, ⅞, 7/16, ⅜, ⅜, 7/16, ⅜. **Grand Central Rubber**—22/3. **Grand Trunk Pac. 4 p.c. Debs.**—55⅛, ⅛, 5, 6, 5⅞, ⅛, ¼. **Great Western Rail**—110⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 1/16, ⅛. **Great Western 5 p.c. Pref.**—102⅛. **Greek Loan 7 p.c. Refugee (1924)**—93 15/16, ⅞, ⅞; **do. issued at 88 (£35 paid)**—40⅛, 1/16, 1/16, ⅛. **Guinness Ord.**—503, 7, 10, 9⅛, 12, 5, 8, 11, 12. **Harland and Wolff Pref.**—16/-, 15/10½, 16/1½, 15/9, 7½d., 10½d., 7½d. **Harrod's Ord.**—46/9, *6/-, 6d., 10½d., 7/-. **Highlands Rubber**—*39/4½. **Hudson's Bay Ord.**—5 9/16. **Hungarian 7½ p.c., 1924**—95⅛, 6, 5⅞, ⅞, 1/16, 15/16. **Imperial Tobacco**—90/-, 89/10½, 90/1½, 89/9, *3d., *9/-, *90/3; **do. Canada**—27/6, 9d., 7½d. **Jute Industries**—7/1½, 6/10½, 11½d., 9¾d., 7½d., 9d., 6½d., 11½d., 3d. **Lever 7 p.c. Pref.**—21/7½, 6d., *9d., *3d., 8¼d., 4½d., 6¾d., 8¼d. **Lever 8 p.c. Pref.**—20/9, *1/4½, 1/-, 3d., 1½d., 20/9, 1/3, 1/-. **Lever 7 p.c. Debentures**—109⅛, ⅛. **Linggi Rubber**—38/9. **Lipton Ord.**—23/10½, *3d., *6d., *9d. **Lister Ord.**—32/4½, 1½d., 3d., 2/-. **Lloyd's Bank**—63/6, 9d., 7½d., *2/-, 3/4½, 9d. **London Asiatic Rubber**—3/10½. **London, Midland and Scottish Ord.**—100⅞, 1, 100⅞, ⅞, ⅞, 15/16, *⅞. **London and N.E. Pref.-Ord.**—82⅛, 1/16, ⅛, ⅛, 1/16. **London and N.E. Def.-Ord.**—30⅞, 1, 30⅞, ⅞. **Lyons (J.) and Co. Ord.**—88/-, 9d.; **do. 7 p.c. Pref.**—25/4½, 4/10½, 5/-, 4/9, 5/1½, 3d., *4/9, 5/3. **Malayalam Rubber**—*39/9, 40/-, 3d. **Marconi Ord.**—*35/6, 4/3, 6d.; **do. Pref.**—31/3; **do. Marine**—22/7½, *2/-; **do. Canada**—4/7½. **Maypole Def.**—6/3, 4½d., 2½d., 1½d., 3¼d., 4½d. **Metropolitan Rail**—80, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 79⅞, 80⅛, 79⅞, ⅞, 81⅛, 79⅞, 80⅛, 80, 79⅞. **Metropolitan District**—55⅞, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛. **Midland Bank**—9⅛, 1/16, ⅛, 1/16, ⅛, ⅛. **Mond Nickel**—47/6, 9d. **National Provincial Bank (£3¾)**—10 7/16; **do. (£4)**—11⅛, 9/16, £11 10/6, 11 9/16, 1/16. **Nestle 8 p.c. Pref.**—24/10½, 5/-, 4/7½, 6d., 7½d. **Niger 8 p.c. Pref.**—16/1½, 3d. **Nobel Industries**—26/1½, 3d., 6/-, 5/9, 6d.; **do. Pref.**—(x.d.) 21/5½; **do. Def.**—10/7½, 9d., 7½d. **Parent Ord.**—20/1½; **do. Def.**—41/10½, 3d. **Peruvian Corp. Pref.**—39⅞, ⅛, ⅛. **Platt Bros. Ord.**—33/9, 6d. **P. and O. 5 p.c. Debs.**—101. **Provincial Cinema Theatres Pref.-Ord.**—14/6. **Prussian 3½ p.c.**—24/-, 3/-, 2/7½, 3d., 7½d. **Radio Corp. Pref.**—10 7/16. **Rubber Trust**—34/-, 1½d., 4½d., 3d., 1½d. **Selfridge Ord.**—29/1½, 9d.; **do. Pref.**—24/6. **Smithfield and Argentine**—14/6, 4½d. **Southern Rail Pref.-Ord.**—88⅞, *⅞, 5, *4⅞, ⅞, *⅞, 4⅞, 5⅛; **do. Def.-Ord.**—44, ⅛, ⅛, 3⅞, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛; **do. Ord. "A"**—41⅛, ⅛, ⅛. **Sudan Plantations**—7 3/16, ⅛, £7 9/3, 7⅛. **"Sunday Pictorial" Ord.**—83/1½, 2/6. **Swedish Match "B"**—10 7/16, ⅜, 7/16, ⅜, 7/16, ⅜. **Turkish Unified**—18, ⅛, 17⅞. **Underground Electric**—61/10½. **Underground Income Bonds**—100⅛, ⅛, ¼, ¼, ⅛. **Union Cold Storage 6 p.c. Pref.**—21/6, 4½d., 1½d., 7½d., 4½d. **United Dairies**—37/7½, 9½d., *1½d., 9d., 8/-, 7/9½. **United of Havana Rail**—89⅞, ⅞, ⅞. **United Premier Oil and Cake Ord.**—15/1½. **United Serdang Rubber**—4/-, 1d., 1½d., 1½d., 4½d., 4/2. **United Tobacco**—84/4½, 6d., 4/-, 3d., 3/10½. **Vickers**—11/3, 11/-, 4½d., 1½d., 3d., 4½d. **Watney Combe Def.**—213, 12, 14, 11. **Westminster Bank**—18 11/16, 1/16, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛. **White, Tomkins Ord.**—26/-. **Whiteley (Wm.)**—77/6.

MINES.

Akim—12/9, 10½d., 13/6, ⅝d., 3d., 6d. **Anglo-American Corp.**—20/3, ⅜d., 6d., 10½d., 5/7½, 9d. **Brakpan**—77/6, *6/3. **British South Africa (Chart.)**—21/9, 7½d., 6d., 10½d., 4½d., *3d., *2/-, 1/5½, *1/-, *20/6. **Cam and Motor**—57/6, 6/3, 7/2½, 6/7½, 6/10½, 6¼d. **Central Mining**—13⅛, ⅛, 1/16, *⅛. **Chosen Syndicate "A"**—31/2½, 6¾d., 9d., 30/9, 2/-, 1/10½. **City Deep**—67/6, 8/9, 6d. **Cons. Diamond Mines S.W. Africa**—17/-, 3d., 4½d., 6d., 3¾d., 1½d., 7½d. **Consol. Gold Fields**—24/8⅛, *3/9, 4/0¾d., 7½d., 9d., 6d. **Consol. Main Reef**—16/3, 15/10½, 9d., 16/1½, 16/-. **Corderoy Synd.**—3/8, 9¾d., 7½d. **Crown Mines**—60/7½, 3¾d. **De Beers Def.**—12 7/16, ⅛, ⅛. **East Rand Prop.**—12/4½, *11/9, 12/8⅛, 6d., 7½d., 9d. **Geduld**—67/9, *6d., 8/5⅛, *9¾d., 1½d., 9d. **General Mining**—14/6. **Government Areas**—7 5/16, ⅛. **Huronian Belt**—53/5⅛. **Johannesburg Invest.**—41/9, 3d., 1/-, 7½d., 6d., 5½d., 4½d. **Langlaagte**—21/1½, 9¾d., 2/1½, 2/-. **Modderfontein B (5/- shares)**—28/1½, 9/0¾d., 8/9, 7½d. **Modderfontein Deep (5/- shares)**—45/3. **Modderfontein East**—17/-. **Mount Lyell**—22/-, 6d., 3d. **New Modderfontein**—*90/7½, 1/-, 90/7½, 90/-. **New State Areas**—35/7½, 4/0¾d. **Rand Mines**—61/1½, 3d., 1/-, *3d. **Randfontein Estates**—20/3, 6d., 4½d. **Robinson Deep B**—42/3, 4½d., 1/10½, 2/-, 2/1½. **Ropp Tin**—14/1½, 3d. **Rose Deep**—14/-. **Russo-Asiatic**—6/6, 7½d., 9¾d., 9d. **Selukwe Gold**—15/6, 4½d., 7½d., 9d., 5¼d., 15/-, 3d. **South American Copper**—10/10½, 11/-, 1½d., 4½d., 6d., 7½d. **Springs**—56/10½, *7/3⅛, 6/9, 7½d. **Tanganyika**—38/6, 7/6, 9¾d., 8/9, *6/-, 8/1½, 5¼d., 7/2¼d., 6/10½, *7/6. **Union Corporation**—48/6, 3d., 1½d., 8/-. **Van Ryn**—24/9, 5/-, 4/10½. **Van Ryn Deep**—84/4⅛, 7½d. **Village Deep**—*10/6, 11/3. **West Springs**—25/1½, *4/9, 5/-, 3d. **Zinc Corp.**—32/3.

OILS.

Agwi Corp. "A"—7/7⅛, 8¼d., 8/-, 7/9, 8/3. **Anglo-American Ord.**—83/1½, 2/6, 3/9, 1/10½, *10½d., 35⅞, 1/6⅛. **Anglo-Ecuadorian**—48/5⅛, *9d., *6d., 1½d., 9d. **Anglo-Persian Ord.**—71/3, 70/7½, 1/0½, 70/-, 3¾d., 1/10½; **do. 8 p.c. Pref.**—25/7½, 4½d., 3d., 6d., 9d. **British Controlled Com.**—19/3⅛, 3d., 3⅛d., 6d., 1½d., 19/-; **do. Pref.**—19/2½, 19/-, 6d., 3d., 19/-, 18/11½, 18/8⅛, 10½d. **Burmah**—5⅜, 1/16, 35-64, 25-64, 1/16. **Caltex**—2/9⅛, 9d., 8¼d., 8d. **Kern River**—15/9, 16/-, 15/6, 10½d. **Lobitos**—10 1/16, ⅛, 1/16, ⅛, 1/16. **Mexican Eagle Ord.**—16/7½, 9d., 4½d., 6d.; **do. 7 p.c. 1st Pref.**—13/-, 1½d., 6d., 2½d. **Phœnix Oil**—*20/4½, 8¼d., 7½d., 10½d., 9d., 6d. **Royal Dutch**—33 7/16, ⅛, 3¾, 5⅛, ⅝, ⅛, ⅛. **Shell**—90/7½, 1/3, 11½d., 3¾d., 9d., 11½d., 1/6⅜. **Trinidad Leaseholds**—41/3, 6¾d., 40/11½, 10½d., 1/4½. **V.O.C. Holdings**—64/4⅛, 3/9, 5¼d., 4/-, 5/-, 4/10½, 4/1½, 4/0¾d., 3/7½, 1½d.; **do. Pref.**—60/7½, 3¾d., 60/-.

TEAS.

Amalgamated Estates—42. **Assam Company**—44/4½, 5/-, 4/6. **Assam Frontier**—7 11/16. **Borelli**—99/4½. **Bowlana**—27/3, 8/-. **British Indian**—87/6, 6/-. **Ceylon Plant**—5 5/16. **Cons. Tea and Lands**—7 1/16, 2, ⅛, 2, 1 1/16. **Darjeeling**—38/6. **Dimbula Valley**—58/6, 7/3. **Dooars**—86/4½, *7/-. **Doom Dooma**—5⅛. **Eastern Produce**—82/7½. **Empire**—86/6, 7/-, *7/-, 6/-, 5/9. **Imperial**—53/6, 3/-, 6d., 9d. **Imperial Ceylon**—35/9¾. **Jokai**—90/-. **Jorehaut** (x.d.)—91/6, 3d. **Lungla**—45/-. **Lunuva**—45/-. **Moabund**—76/6. **New Sylhet**—95/-. **Peacock and Nilambe**—4/3, 4d. **Poonmudi**—3/10, 10½d. **Travancore**—5⅛, 1/16, ⅛.

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FINANCIAL PARAGRAPHS.

"BIG FIVE" AGGREGATE BALANCE SHEETS.

With the issue of Lloyds' balance-sheet *The Financial Times* is able to compile and present the aggregate position of the "Big Five" banks, comprising Barclays, Midland, Westminster, Lloyds and the National Provincial. The table appended shows the position at the end of December, 1923, and December, 1924.

	December, 1923.	December, 1924.
	£	£
Capital paid up	59,139,314	60,473,285
Reserve	47,114,570	48,757,957
Deposits	1,535,274,385	1,524,544,968
Acceptances	86,214,147	102,592,261
Cash	200,366,052	203,984,622
Ratio to deposits.	13.0%	13.4%
With other banks...	54,719,034	58,712,155
At call	85,566,334	98,583,561
Total cash items ...	340,651,420	361,280,339
Ratio to deposits.	22.2%	23.7%
Discounts	256,943,730	207,022,734
Ratio to deposits.	16.7%	13.6%
Investments	311,128,580	271,343,475
Ratio to deposits.	20.3%	17.8%
Shares in other banks	23,329,441	26,039,648
Advances	691,040,285	748,673,568
Ratio to deposits	45.0%	49.1%
Premises	23,909,476	24,662,230
Total assets	1,733,117,078	1,741,614,254

FORCED LIQUIDATION IN OIL SHARES.

The Oil Share market is having to encounter a great deal of forced liquidation, but so soon as signs arise as to a cessation of it there is a recovery. The better class stocks are reported to be going into very strong hands, and the view is growing that the big interests are fixing up terms for the control of prices and the zones of influence. Little of this is seen in local circles, but mergers are in progress in the United States along such lines, and optimism prevails.

THE APPRECIATION IN STERLING.

At yesterday's meeting of the Westminster Bank, Ltd., Mr. Walter Leaf, the Chairman, stated that the Dawes plan had already begun to bear fruit. Among these was the appreciation of the £ in terms of the dollar. This appreciation has taken place in spite of the large sterling loans to foreign countries, an increase in what is called the adverse balance of our foreign trade and a rise in our index number of prices of about the same magnitude as that of the American index. Mr. Walter Leaf attributes the recovery in sterling to an anxiety in the United States to employ on this side the immense power of credit wielded by the United States gold accumulations. The funding of our debt to America and the fact that we have steady Budget surpluses have created confidence in our stability. In referring to the gold standard, Mr. Leaf considers it not at all improbable that before the end of the year we shall see a flow of gold back to Europe. Re-establishment of parity would diminish to us the cost of great purchases of raw material, notably wheat and cotton, from the United States.

BELGIAN FRANCS.

A further sharp movement occurred in Belgian francs on Wednesday, reducing the discount at which they stand in relation to French francs to about three or four francs. At one time in March last year the French franc was at a premium of some 20 francs over its Belgian neighbour. This was due to special reasons, such as Belgium's war debt to France and large purchases by the former country of French francs, but these causes are no longer operative. The present rise has been attributed variously to Belgian, French and English purchases, and also to Government support. From inquiries which we have made in authoritative quarters, we learn, says the *Evening Standard*, that there is no real justification for the present rise, the buying being purely of a speculative and sentimental character.

On the other hand, efforts are being made to stabilise the Belgian franc at about its present value. Any further appreciation would not be welcome to exporters, who are already feeling the effects of the present rise. It is true that Belgium is balancing her Budget, but that is only rendered possible by the depreciated exchange, and, while the commercial position is improving, it must be remembered that Belgium has to import some 80 per cent. of her foodstuffs. All things considered, the authority that we quote is of opinion that no further substantial movement is likely in present circumstances, and that the Belgian franc will be stabilised at about 93 or 94 to the £. We do not necessarily endorse his views.

NO "SINKING FEELING" HERE.

For each of the previous two years the Bovril Company has distributed a bonus of 6d. per share, free of tax, in addition to a 9 p.c. dividend, free of tax on the Deferred Shares, and the steady progress of the company year by year has been remarkable. Expectations are that another record year has been experienced, and that the distribution may be further increased. The fact that the last balance sheet showed a reserve of £600,000, whereas the Deferred capital is only £750,000, is also being looked at with some anticipations of the future.

THE MONEY MARKET.

STRINGENT LOAN CONDITIONS.

EXCHANGES DULLISH.

Stringent conditions still obtained in Lombard street yesterday owing to the approach of the end of the month and the ingathering of the taxes. The market, however, again managed to avoid the Bank, but short loans commanded up to 4¼ p.c., with 3½ p.c. the minimum charge. Weekly fixtures were continued at 3¾ p.c., but 3½ to 4 p.c. was asked for loans over the turn of the month. Discount business remained very quiet, and rates were without material change. Second-hand Treasuries were still offering at 3 11/16 p.c., and fine three months' bills were generally quoted 3 11/16 p.c.

Bank Rate Discount (changed July 5, 1923), 4%

60 days (fine)........	3 11/16 %		
3 months	3 11/16 %	Trade 4	4½%
4 months	3 11/16 %	" 4¼	4½%
6 months	4 %	" 4½	5 %
Loans to brokers day-to-day		4¼	3¼%
" for a week		3½	2¾%
Deposit allowance: Banks at call			2 %
Discount houses, at call			2 %
" at notice			2¼%

Gold was 1d. per oz. higher at 87s. Silver rose ⅛d. per oz. further to 32 5/16d. for spot and 32 3/16d. for forward delivery.

The foreign exchange market was quiet yesterday, with a dullish tendency. Sterling on New York was not quite so firm at 4.79¼-4.79¾ dollars, and French francs eased to 88.50-88.60, after being 88.37, while Belgian francs reacted to 92.10-92.20. Lire cheapened to 114⅞-115⅛, and Dutch florins to 11.89⅞-11.90. Among South American exchanges Rio hardened to 5⅜-5 11/16. The following were closing quotations:—

—	January 29.		January 28.		Normal Rate
Alexandria	97⅛		97⅛		97½
Amsterdam	11.89¾	11.90	11.90¼	11.90¾	12.10
B. Ayres	45⅛	45⅜	45⅛	45⅜	47.58
Barcelona	33.49	33.52	33.53	33.55	25.22
Berlin	20.10	20.20	20.05	20.15	20.40
Bombay	1/5⅞	1/5⅞	1 5⅞	1 6⅛	2/0
Brussels	92.10	92.20	91.75	91.85	25.22½
Calcutta	1 5⅞	1 5⅞	1 5⅞	1 6⅛	2/0
Copenhagen	26.79	26.82	26.80	26.85	18.15
Czecho-Slov	160¾	161	161	162	—
Finland	190	190½	190	191	25.22½
Greece	283	286	278	285	25.22½
Hong Kong	2 3½	2 4⅛	2 3½	2 4⅛	—
Hungary	342,000	348,000	342,000	348,000	—
Italy	115⅛	115½	113⅞	114⅛	25.22½
Kobe (p.yn.)	1/7⅞	1/7⅞	1/7⅞	1/7⅞	24.58d.
Lisbon	2⅜	2⅝	2⅜	2⅝	53¼d.
Madrid	33.49	33.51	33.51	33.54	25.22½
Mexico	24¼	24⅞	24¼	24⅞	24⅛d.
Montreal	4.79¾	4.79⅞	4.80	4.80⅛	4.86
Montevideo	49½	49⅞	49½	49⅞	51d.
New York	4.79¼	4.79⅞	4.79⅞	4.80⅛	4.86
Oslo	31.30	31.34	31.30	31.33	18.15
Paris	88.35	88.57	88.35	88.65	25.22
Poland	24.90	25.10	24.90	25.10	25.22½
Rio de Jan.	5⅜	5⅝	5⅝	5¾	16d.
Roumania	9.18	9.27	9.18	9.23	—
Shanghai	3/1⅞	3/2⅜	3/1⅞	3/2⅜	—
Singapore	2/4⅛		2/4⅛		2/4⅛
Stockholm	17.77	17.79	17.78	17.82	18.15
Switzerland	24.81	24.85	24.85	24.88	25.22
Valparaiso	43.30	Nominal	Closed.		13.33
Vienna	337,000	342,000	337,000	343,000	—

DIVIDENDS AND REPORTS.

WILLIAM AND P. THOMPSON.—The directors announce a dividend of 5 per cent. per annum, free of income tax, on the Ordinary Shares of the company for the year ended 31st October, 1924 (same).

ASBESTOS CORPORATION OF CANADA.—Dividend of 2 per cent. on the Common Stock out of surplus earnings of year 1924.

BRITISH INVESTMENTS TRUST.—Accounts for year ended January 1 show revenue £268,729, leaving a balance, after deducting interest on Debs., of £203,392. Dividend on Preferred Stock of 5 per cent., less tax, for year absorbs £46,500. Dividend on Deferred Stock of 19 per cent., less tax, for year absorbs £117,800, leaving a surplus of £49,092, to which has to be added £218,849 brought in. £257,941 is carried forward. Investments, as per balance sheet, at £5,505,357. Value on January 1, 1925, according to valuation of investments made in usual way, about £440,000 in excess of this.

BRITISH SOUTH AFRICA (CHARTERED).—An interim dividend of 6d. per share, free of tax, has already been paid by the British South Africa Company in respect of the year ended September 30, 1924. The company now announces a final dividend of 1/3 per share less tax, payable on March 30. The annual meeting will be held on February 24. This dividend confirms general market estimates, although in some quarters it had been hoped that the payment would be made free of tax.

CITY OF BUENOS AYRES TRAMWAYS CO.—Balance dividend for the year ending December 31, 1924, of 1/3 per share, making 5 per cent. per annum, less tax.

HOLBORN AND FRASCATI.—Balance dividend on Ord Shares at rate of 8 per cent. per annum and a bonus of 3 per cent.; £10,000 to reserve fund, leaving a balance of £14,000 to be carried forward.

HOODS.—Dividend on Ordinary Shares at 12½ per cent., less tax.

JUTE INDUSTRIES.—The report of the Jute Industries covering the year to 30th September, 1924, shows dividends received from the subsidiary companies totalling £230,413, a decline of £13,281 on the previous year's figures, but with a profit of £22,130 on merchandising transfer fees the gross income totalled £253,135, against £245,071. After providing for the dividend on the 9 per cent. Preference Shares, the directors propose writing £35,000 off the preliminary expenses, carrying forward £9,914, against £8,358 brought in. The report states that the raw material of the present crop has been bought on favourable terms, and shows a considerable appreciation on cost.

KEELEY SILVER MINES.—Regular dividend of 8 per cent., and bonus 4 per cent.

LONDON NECROPOLIS AND NATIONAL MAUSOLEUM.—Distribution of 2/- per share.

METROPOLITAN RAILWAY.—Dividend upon the Ordinary Stock for the past half-year of 3 per cent., actual, making 5 per cent. for the year, carrying forward about £51,000 to next account, after placing £25,000 to general reserve. The dividend for 1923 was 4 per cent., £15,000 being placed to the general reserve fund and £35,250 carried forward. The dividend on the Surplus Lands Stock is recommended to be 1½ per cent. actual, for the past half-year, against 1½ per cent. in the corresponding period.

MERCHANT BANK.—Final dividend of 3 per cent. on the "B" Shares, making 5 per cent for the year.

MOND NICKEL CO.—Interim dividend of 5 per cent. on Ordinary.

PAWSONS AND LEAFS, LTD.—Dividend at rate of 7 per cent. per annum for the six months ended 29th December, 1924, making 6 per cent. for the year.

SPARROW, HARDWICK, AND CO.—Final dividend of 4 per cent. actual on Ordinary, making 7½ per cent. for the year; £7,000 to reserves, £9,707 forward.

SCOTTISH REVERSIONARY COMPANY.—For year ending December balance of revenue is £35,645. Dividend 5 per cent. for year; £6,050 to equalising dividend account, and £2,143 forward. During the year £7,200 has been transferred to reserve, being realised surplus on investments.

SOUTH METROPOLITAN GAS CO.—Dividend for year of 5¾ per cent. on Ordinary Stock, less the interim dividend of 2½ per cent. already paid.

WATNEY, COMBE.—The directors of Watney, Combe, Reid, and Co., Ltd., announce an interim dividend for the half-year ended December 31, 1924, at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum on the Deferred Ordinary Stock, payable, less tax, at 4/6 in the £. For the twelve months ended June 30, 1924, the Deferred Ordinary Stock received 20 per cent. (6 per cent. interim and 14 per cent. final), as against 16 per cent. for 1922-23 and 32 per cent. and a capital bonus of 100 per cent. for 1921-1922. In October last it was decided to increase the capital to £7,595,957, by the creation of 796,353 new Deferred Shares of £1 each (to be converted into stock) ranking for dividend as from June 30, 1924, and allotted, as fully paid, by the capitalisation of undivided profits to holders of Deferred Stock in the proportion of 50 per cent. new stock for every 100 per cent. of stock held.

TRAFFICS.

Underground Electric Railways Co. of London—Week to Jan. 24, Common Fund Companies, dec. £3,899; London Suburban Traction Group, dec. £8,997. Central Argentine Railway—Dec £7,000. United Railways of the Havana—Inc. £8,268. Leopoldina Railway—Inc. £7,016. Argentine North-Eastern—Inc. £700. Entre Rios Railways—Dec. £4,900. B.A.G.S.—(Including £29,000 approximate gross receipts, Bahia Blanca and North-Western Railway Co., Ltd.)—Inc. £31,000. B.A. and Pacific Railway—Dec. £4,000. Argentine Transandine—Dec. £459. B.A. Western—Dec. £6,000. Central Uruguay—Dec. £1,636. Do. Eastern—Dec. £1,339. Do. Northern—Dec. £521. Do. Western—Dec. £67. Alabama Traction, Light and Power—Operating results of the Alabama Power Co. from all sources, including Montgomery, for December—An increase of $75,963 gross and $79,456 net; net earnings for 1924 amount to an increase of $740,109 over 1923. Singapore Electric Tramways—Week to January 24—Inc. $1,444. Great Western Railway—Week to January 25—Inc. £272,000. L.M.S.—Inc. £455,000. Southern Railway—Inc. £159,000. L.N.E. Railway—Inc. £502,000.

DIAMOND POOL BROKEN UP.

The City Editor of the Daily News states that in future the diamonds produced by one of the "Big Four" in the South African diamond mining industry will be sold separately, instead of being pooled and sold by the powerful London Diamond Syndicate, in which Messrs. Barnato Bros. are understood to be largely interested, if they do not actually control it. The "Big Four" are the famous De Beers Consolidated, the Jagersfontein, the Premier (Transvaal), and Consolidated Diamond Mines of South-West Africa. For some years these four big producers have arranged between themselves the control of their production, and the Diamond Syndicate has handled the marketing arrangements. The selling agreement with the syndicate expired last month, and it is now known that this agreement has not been renewed. Instead, the disposal of the production of the Consolidated Diamond Mines of South-West Africa will be handled by the Anglo-American Corporation of South Africa—the finance company that controls the Consolidated Diamond Company—and Messrs. A. Dunkelsbuhler and Co., the well-known diamond dealers. The arrangements for the sale of the production of De Beers, Jagersfontein, and Premier Mines will, however, continue to be handled by the Diamond Syndicate.

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